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## ABSTRACT

The reactions  $^{48}\text{Ca}(d,d)^{48}\text{Ca}$ ,  $^{48}\text{Ca}(d,p)^{49}\text{Ca}(0)$  and  $^{48}\text{Ca}(d,p)^{49}\text{Ca}(2.028)$  have been studied in the deuteron energy range 2.3 MeV to 6.0 MeV. The experimental work for each reaction consisted of the following: (1) seven angular distributions; (2) yield curves at five angles; (3) an angular distribution of the analyzing power at  $E_d = 5.5$  MeV, obtained with polarized deuterons. The polarized deuteron work was done in collaboration with Dr. P. Quinn and Professor W. Haeberli at the University of Wisconsin, Madison, Wisconsin.

Average deuteron Optical Model parameters for the energy range have been determined, and it was established from the combined elastic scattering cross section and polarization data that the deuteron real well depth is of the order of 100 MeV. The spectroscopic factors of the ground state and first excited state have been determined as 0.98 and 1.06 respectively. The  $j$ -values of the ground state and first excited state are  $3/2^-$  and  $1/2^-$  as determined from the vector analyzing power for these states. The  $j$ -dependence of the angular distributions at higher energies has been reproduced with the DWBA calculations. The angular distributions and yield curves predicted from the DWBA calculations fit the data very well, particularly in the case of the first excited state. It is concluded that the DWBA theory represents the direct reaction process well.



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## CHAPTER 1

### INTRODUCTION

Deuteron stripping experiments are generally performed at energies above the Coulomb barrier where the distinctive features of the angular distributions allow the extraction of nuclear structure information, particularly the  $l$ -value of the absorbed particle. At energies below the Coulomb barrier, however, the angular distributions lose their distinctive features and are almost independent of the transferred  $l$ -value (Ma 64, Ma 64a) so that this information can not be extracted. Because of the presumed paucity of the information that can be obtained at sub-Coulomb energies, this energy region has been somewhat neglected by experimentalists. This situation is rather unfortunate since it implies that low energy facilities, such as Van de Graafs, can not be used for stripping experiments on heavy nuclei which have high Coulomb barriers.

It has been pointed out recently, however, that sub-Coulomb stripping may be useful in the determination of reduced widths and spectroscopic factors (Go 65, Gi 66). In addition, it has been shown that  $l$ -values of the transferred particle may be determined from the slope of the yield curve at





backward angles at energies below and slightly above the Coulomb barrier (He 68). The reliability and accuracy of the information that may be obtained depends on the validity of the interaction theory, the Distorted Wave Born Approximation (DWBA) theory, that is used in the analysis. Extensive studies of the validity of the DWBA theory have been made at higher energies (Le 64, Se 69) but at present no study has been done connecting sub-Coulomb stripping with higher energy stripping. It was felt, therefore, that it would be of interest to perform a study which would encompass both energy regions so that the continuity of the data would provide a link between the energy regions.

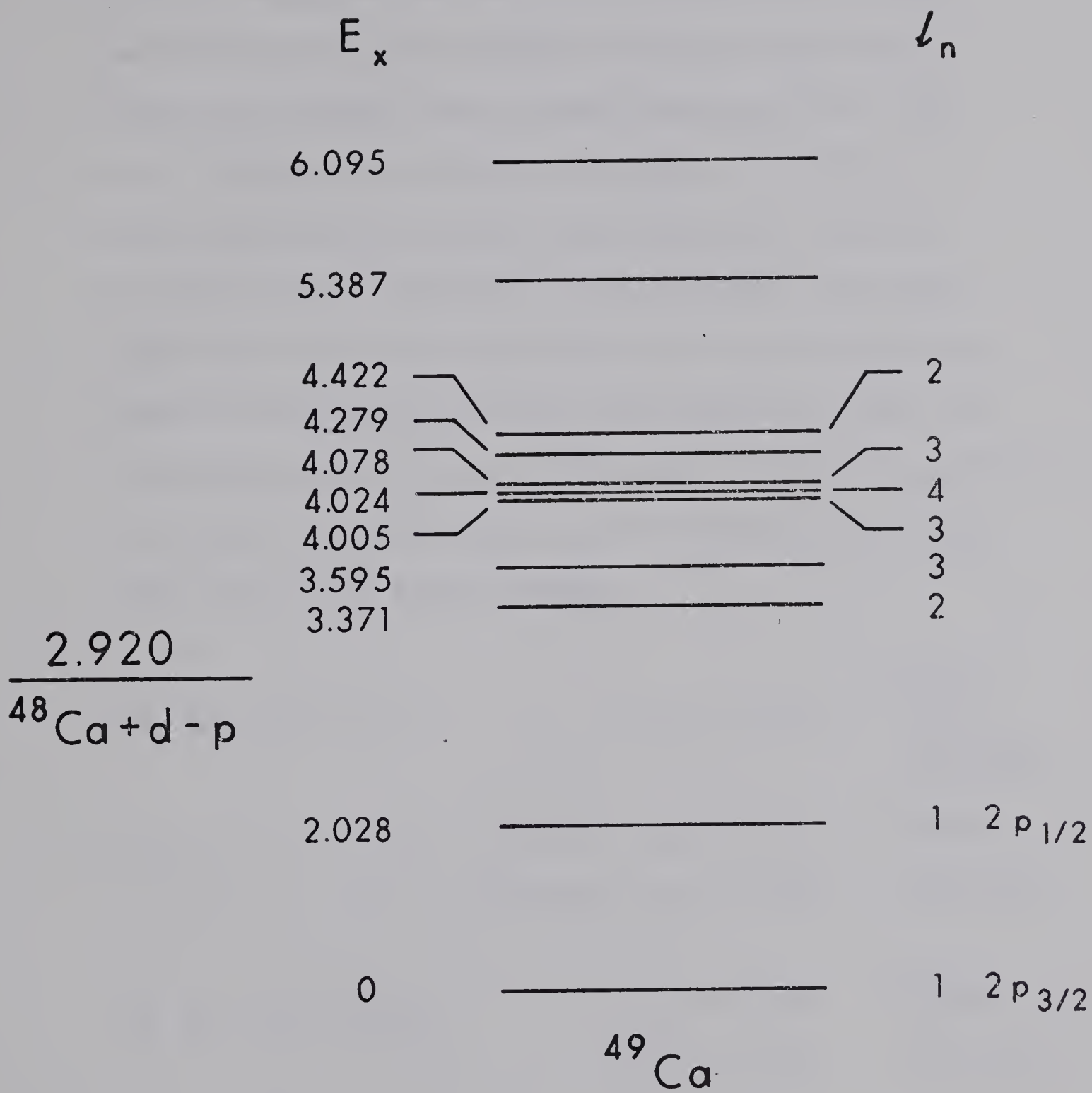
The reactions  $^{48}\text{Ca}(d,p)^{49}\text{Ca}(0)$  and  $^{48}\text{Ca}(d,p)^{49}\text{Ca}(2.028)$  were chosen for this study for several reasons. First,  $^{48}\text{Ca}$  is a closed shell nucleus (20 protons and 28 neutrons) so that the final states in  $^{49}\text{Ca}$  are expected to be good single-particle states, i.e., the states correspond to the addition of a single neutron to an inert and spherical core (Be 68, An 68). Since the spectroscopic factor is therefore expected to be unity, the ability of DWBA to give absolute cross sections can be tested critically. The energy level diagram of  $^{49}\text{Ca}$  is shown in Fig. 1.1.

Secondly, Hauser-Feshbach calculations indicate that the compound nucleus contributions are small, particularly in the case of the  $^{49}\text{Ca}(2.028)$  state.



Figure 1.1 Energy level diagram of  $^{49}\text{Ca}$  (from Ka 64).







Thirdly, the two energy regions, which involve three possible energy combinations of the incoming and outgoing particles can be covered within the energy range of the University of Alberta Van de Graaff accelerator for  $^{48}\text{Ca}$ , since  $^{48}\text{Ca}$  has a Coulomb barrier of about 4.75 MeV and a ground state Q-value for the (d,p) reaction of 2.92 MeV. The three energy combinations are listed below; the first column shows the energy combination, the second column the deuteron energy range for which this combination holds, and the third column the state of  $^{49}\text{Ca}$  that is involved ( $E_d$  denotes the incident deuteron energy,  $E_p$  the outgoing proton energy and  $E_c$  the Coulomb barrier energy).

(1)	$E_d > E_c, E_p > E_c$	$E_d > 4.75 \text{ MeV}$	$^{49}\text{Ca}(0)$
			$^{49}\text{Ca}(2.028)$
(2)	$E_d < E_c, E_p > E_c$	$2.0 \text{ MeV} < E_d < 4.75 \text{ MeV}$	$^{49}\text{Ca}(0)$
		$4.0 \text{ MeV} < E_d < 4.75 \text{ MeV}$	$^{49}\text{Ca}(2.028)$
(3)	$E_d < E_c, E_p < E_c$	$E_d < 2.0 \text{ MeV}$	$^{49}\text{Ca}(0)$
		$E_d < 4.0 \text{ MeV}$	$^{49}\text{Ca}(2.028)$

The experimental work for this study consists of the following:

- 1) seven angular distributions of the (d,d) and (d,p) reactions, obtained simultaneously, for deuteron energies between 2.5 MeV and 5.5 MeV;





- 2) yield curves of the (d,d) and (d,p) reactions at five angles ( $65^\circ$ ,  $90^\circ$ ,  $115^\circ$ ,  $145^\circ$  and  $165^\circ$ ) over a deuteron energy range of 2.3 MeV to 6.0 MeV, the upper part of the range in 10 KeV steps, the lower part mostly in 20 KeV steps;
- 3) the angular distributions of the analyzing power of the (d,d) and (d,p) reactions, obtained with vector polarized deuterons at the University of Wisconsin, Madison, Wisconsin, in collaboration with Dr. P. Quinn and Professor W. Haeberli.

A short description of each of the following chapters will be given here. A descriptive account of the Optical Model and DWBA theory is given in Chapter 2. The experimental method and data reduction are described in Chapter 3. The Optical Model analysis as well as the DWBA calculations are presented in Chapter 4. Chapter 5 contains a summary of the results and conclusions. Differential cross sections and the analyzing power for the angular distributions are listed in Appendix A.



## CHAPTER 2

### THEORY

#### 2.1 The Optical Model

The scattering of a projectile, such as a deuteron, from a target nucleus should ideally be described in terms of the two-body forces that exist between the nucleons in the projectile and the nucleus. Unfortunately, this approach is too complex in most cases and it is therefore necessary to use an approximation. In this approximation, known as the Optical Model, the nucleus is replaced by an average potential so that the many-body problem is reduced to a two-body problem.

The form of the optical potential employed in this work is

$$U(r) = V_c(r) - Vf(x_o) + 4i W \frac{d}{dx_i} f(x_i) \quad 2.1$$
$$\left[\frac{\hbar}{m_\pi c}\right]^2 \frac{V_{SO}}{r} \frac{d}{dr} f(x_{SO}) \vec{L} \cdot \vec{\sigma}$$

In Eq. 2.1  $V_c(r)$  is the Coulomb potential of a uniformly charged sphere with



$$\begin{aligned}
 V_c(r) &= \frac{Zze^2}{2R_c} \left[ 3 - \left( \frac{r}{R_c} \right)^2 \right] & r \leq R_c = r_c A^{\frac{1}{3}} \\
 V_c(r) &= \frac{Zze^2}{r} & r \geq R_c
 \end{aligned}$$

The shapes of the nuclear potential wells are determined by

$$f(x) = (1 + e^x)^{-1}, \quad 2.2$$

the Woods-Saxon form factor, where

$$\begin{aligned}
 x_o &= \frac{r - r_o A^{\frac{1}{3}}}{a_o} & x_i &= \frac{r - r_i A^{\frac{1}{3}}}{a_i} \\
 x_{SO} &= \frac{r - r_{SO} A^{\frac{1}{3}}}{a_{SO}} & & 2.3
 \end{aligned}$$

The parameters  $r_o$ ,  $r_i$  and  $r_{SO}$  will be referred to as the real, imaginary and spin-orbit radius respectively; the parameters  $a_o$ ,  $a_i$  and  $a_{SO}$  will be referred to as the real, imaginary and spin-orbit diffuseness. The depths (or strengths) of the potentials are determined by  $V$ , the real well depth,  $W$ , the imaginary well depth, and  $V_{SO}$ , the spin-orbit well depth. The real and imaginary potentials will be referred to as the central potentials. The shapes of the three potentials as well as the real part of the radial wavefunction for an  $\ell=0$  incident deuteron (a part



of the solution to the Schroedinger equation) are shown in Fig. 2.1.

The three potentials are necessary elements of the overall optical model potential in order to explain the scattering, absorption and polarization of incident particles. The real potential  $V$  is refractive, i.e., the wavelength of the incident particle is changed but the total flux of the particles is unaltered. Although the Woods-Saxon form of this potential is a mathematical compromise, in that it is relatively simple to handle, it does reflect the basic nuclear properties. It is nearly constant close to the centre of the nucleus, thus reflecting the saturation properties of the nuclear forces. It also has a diffuse surface, a feature of the potential which was found necessary early in the development of the optical model (Ja 55, Ne 55), since the diffuseness affects the number of particles reflected or absorbed at the surface (Vo 62, Em 63).

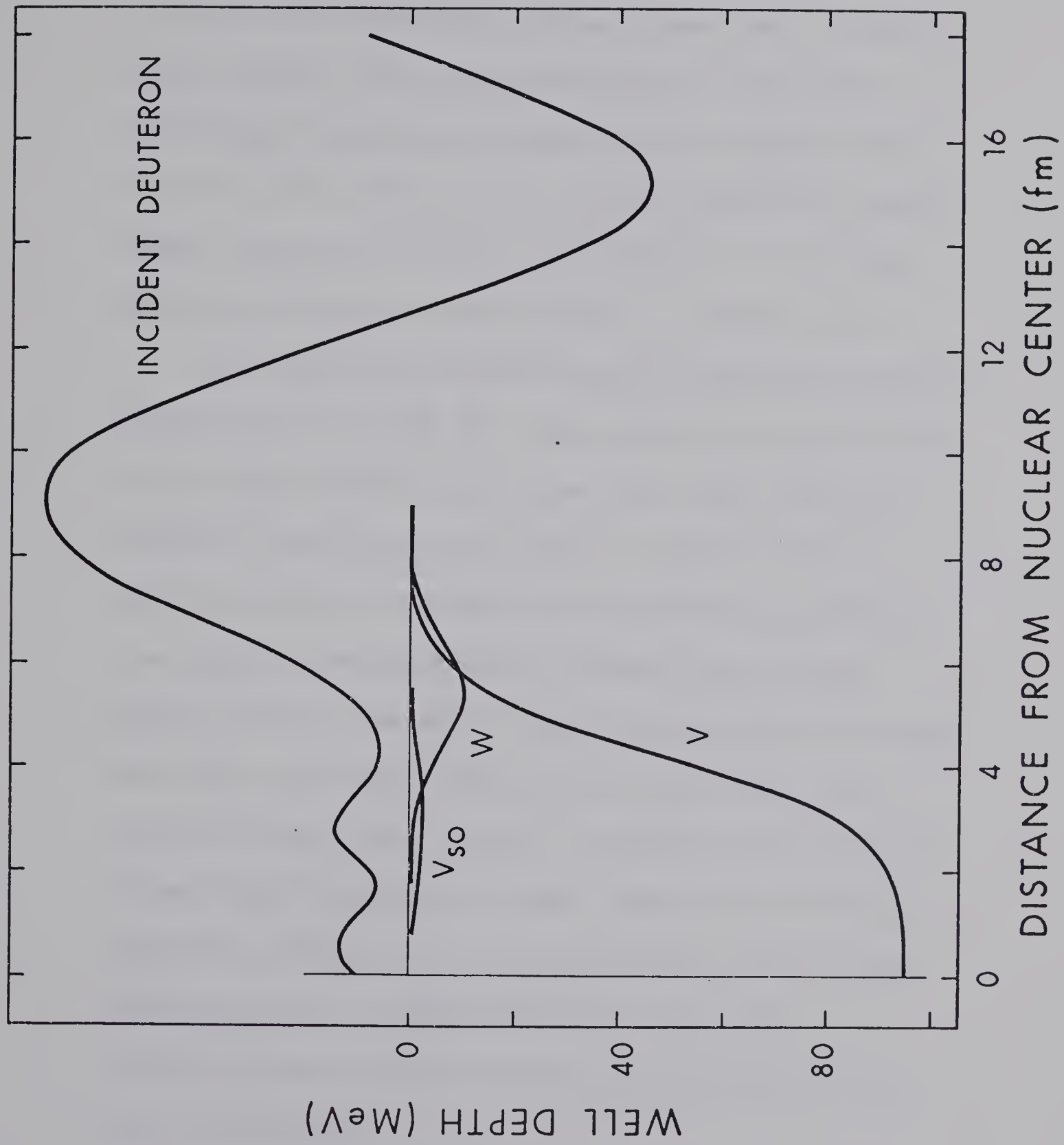
The imaginary potential  $W$  is absorptive. Particles are thus removed from the incident beam to form a compound nucleus, produce inelastic reactions, etc. The argument that the Pauli exclusion principle prevents collisions, particularly in the dense nuclear interior and at low energies, leads to the conclusion that the imaginary





Figure 2.1      Shapes of the real, imaginary and spin-orbit potentials, labelled  $V$ ,  $W$  and  $V_{SO}$  respectively. The curve labelled "incident deuteron" shows the real part of the radial wavefunction for an  $\ell=0$  deuteron incident on the shown potentials.







potential should be strongest in the surface region. Early attempts to concentrate the imaginary potential in the surface region failed to give the correct angular distributions when a square well potential was used. It was found, however, that the introduction of a real well diffuseness allowed the placement of the imaginary well near the surface (Em 63). In order to obtain the surface peaked imaginary potential, the derivative of the Wood-Saxon form factor is used (See Eq. 2.1 and Fig. 2.1).

The spin-orbit potential has the customarily employed Thomas form (Bl 55, Bj 58). The theoretical justification of this form (Gr 68) is not clear cut, since the exact origin of this force is not known. The fact that its radial dependence is peaked at the surface is considered reasonable on the grounds that the particles of high angular momentum, which are known to experience the largest spin-orbit splitting, spend most of their time at the surface of the nucleus (Wa 68). Although the strength of the spin-orbit potential is small compared to the real potential strength, it is a necessary part of the total potential since it affects different spin states to a different extent and thus produces polarization of the scattered particle.

There is evidence (Pe 62, Pe 63) that the nuclear potentials are non-local. The potential should therefore



not be a function of a single coordinate  $\vec{r}$  but rather should reflect the fact that the presence of a particle at  $\vec{r}$  influences the probability of finding the particle at the position  $\vec{r}'$  in the neighbourhood of  $\vec{r}$ . An effective potential  $V$ , dependent only on  $\vec{r}$ , can be expressed as an integral operator of the form (Pe 62)

$$V\Psi = \int U(\vec{r}, \vec{r}') \Psi(\vec{r}') d^3\vec{r}' \quad 2.4$$

and as such  $V$  is energy dependent.

Since the true non-local potential is too complex to handle, the local energy approximation is made. In this approximation the wavefunction is multiplied by a constant depending on the well depth and the range of the non-locality (Hj 65). This relatively simple approach appears to be a good approximation (Ul 68), particularly so since it reduces the amplitude of the elastic scattering wave (Le 64), which simulates part of the effect of the exclusion principle.

The well depth, the radius and the diffuseness of each of the three potentials are normally determined with a computer search program. In such a program one or more parameters will be searched while the other parameters remain fixed. The program then determines the best value for each searched parameter on the basis of a comparison between the calculated and the experimental angular distribution through the goodness-of-fit parameter  $\chi^2$ ,





$$\chi^2 = \sum_{i=1}^N \left[ \frac{Q_{\text{calc}}(\theta_i) - Q_{\text{exp}}(\theta_i)}{\Delta Q(\theta_i)} \right]^2 \quad 2.5$$

where

$N$  is the number of data points in the experimental angular distribution

$Q_{\text{exp}}(\theta_i)$  is the experimentally determined quantity, e.g., the differential cross section, at angle  $\theta_i$

$Q_{\text{calc}}(\theta_i)$  is the quantity at  $\theta_i$  calculated from the optical model parameters

$\Delta Q(\theta_i)$  is the experimental error at  $\theta_i$

In the case of the proton the optical model parameters are now reasonably well determined (Ro 66, Vo 68, Be 69), in particular, the real well depth which in this case is about 52 MeV. In the case of the deuteron the situation is not as clear. It is generally argued that the real well depth for the deuteron should be approximately the sum of the well depths for the proton and the neutron, i.e., of the order of 100 MeV, a figure that is corroborated by the calculations of Perey and Satchler (Pe 67). It is hoped, however, that an extensive study of deuteron elastic scattering data, similar to the study done lately by Becchetti and Greenlees (Be 69) may improve the situation.



Mention should be made of the ambiguities that exist in the parameters, for example the  $Vr_0^n$  ambiguity. Where such ambiguities exist it is found that an increase in one parameter accompanied by the appropriate decrease in the associated parameter will produce an equally acceptable fit to the experimental data and thus presumably an equally acceptable set of parameters. In some cases a set of parameters can be rejected on the basis that some parameters are "unphysical," for instance when the parameter set contains a real radius of 0.2 fm. In many cases, however, the situation is not as clear and it is then, if possible, necessary to determine the optimum set of parameters from criteria outside the fitting procedure.

## 2.2 The Distorted Wave Born Approximation

The Distorted Wave Born Approximation (which will be referred to as DWBA) is a particular approach to the type of nuclear reactions known as direct reactions. In a direct reaction the transition from the incident channel (initial state) to the reaction channel (final state) in a nuclear reaction is considered to take place in one step without the formation of an intermediate state. The DWBA theory of nuclear reactions can be seen as an extension of the previously described optical model since DWBA takes the



optical model as a first approximation but introduces as a perturbation an additional interaction which gives rise to non-elastic processes.

Since a direct reaction is considered as a perturbation, the transition amplitude  $T$ , and thus the differential cross section  $(d\sigma/d\Omega) \propto T^2$ , can be derived from perturbation theory. Thus, if a reaction proceeds from an initial state  $\Psi_i$  to a final state  $\Psi_f$  through the action of the perturbing potential  $V'$ , the transition amplitude  $T$  is given by

$$T = \int \Psi_f V' \Psi_i d\tau \quad 2.6$$

The perturbing potential  $V'$  can be determined from a comparison of the total Hamiltonian  $H_t$  for the system with the Hamiltonian  $H_f$  of which the final state is an eigenfunction. In order to determine this potential, consider the deuteron stripping reaction  $A(d,p)B$  where

- A            is the target nucleus
- d            is the incident deuteron
- B            is the residual or final nucleus consisting  
              of the target nucleus A plus the transferred  
              neutron n
- p            is the emerging proton

The total Hamiltonian  $H_t$  for this system can be written as

$$\begin{aligned} H_t &= T_{dA} + T_{pn} + V_{pn} + V_{pA} + V_{nA} \\ &= T_{nA} + T_{pB} + V_{pn} + V_{nA} + V_{pA} \end{aligned} \quad 2.7$$



where

$T_{dA}$  is the operator for the relative kinetic energy of the deuteron-target system

$V_{pA}$  is the potential energy of the proton-target system, and so on.

The final state wave function is an eigenfunction of the Hamiltonian  $H_f$

$$H_f = T_{nA} + T_{pB} + V_{nA} + \bar{V}_{pB} \quad 2.8$$

where  $\bar{V}_{pB}$  is not the true potential acting between the proton and the residual nucleus B but the simpler optical model potential as determined from the elastic scattering of protons from nucleus B. A comparison of Eq. 2.8 with the last part of Eq. 2.7 shows that the perturbing potential  $V'$  is given by

$$V' = H_t - H_f = V_{pn} + V_{pA} - \bar{V}_{pB}$$

The contribution of  $V_{pA} - \bar{V}_{pB}$  to the integral in Eq. 2.6 is difficult to evaluate or to simplify (To 61) and it is usually argued that there must be considerable cancellation between  $V_{pA}$  and  $\bar{V}_{pB}$  although this cancellation can never be complete for finite nuclei, particularly since  $V_{pA}$  allows the nucleus to be excited (Le 64). If these terms are dropped, however, the effective perturbing potential  $V'$  becomes simply

$$V' = V_{pn} \quad 2.9$$





Equation 2.6 can now be written more explicitly as

$$T = \iint \chi_p^{(-)}(\vec{k}_p, \vec{r}_p)^* \langle B | V_{pn} | A \rangle \chi_d^{(+)}(\vec{k}_d, \vec{r}_d) d\vec{r}_p d\vec{r}_d \quad 2.10$$

where  $\chi_d$  and  $\chi_p$  are the incoming deuteron and outgoing proton distorted waves respectively. The distorted waves are generated from the optical model potentials which have been determined from the elastic scattering of the deuteron from nucleus A and the proton from nucleus B. In many cases the residual nucleus B is unstable so that no elastic scattering measurements can be made to determine the proton optical model parameters directly. In these cases the proton optical parameters that belong to the scattering of protons from nucleus A or some neighbouring nucleus are used.

The term in brackets in Eq. 2.10 is the matrix element of the interaction integrated over all coordinates independent of  $r_d$  and  $r_p$  (Sa 60, Ro 61). Thus essentially all the physics of the interaction appears in this factor which may be written as

$$\phi_n V_{pn} \phi_d \quad 2.11$$

where  $\phi_n$  describes the transferred neutron bound to the target nucleus, a shell model wave function, and  $\phi_d$  is the internal wave function of the deuteron.

Because relatively little is known about the potential  $V_{pn}$  and because of the complexity of the integral in Eq. 2.10 an approximation has to be made in Eq. 2.11. In this approximation,



the range of  $V_{pn}$  is set to zero. The product  $V_{pn}\phi_d$  can then be expressed (To 61, Ba 62) as the product of a constant factor and a delta function. Inherent in this approximation is the restriction that in the reaction the proton appears exactly where the deuteron disappeared. This is a rather unsatisfactory restriction since the deuteron is a large, diffuse particle (Bl 62). A correction factor that simulates the effect of the finite size of the deuteron (the finite range correction (Bu 64)) is therefore applied to the form factor.

Although the DWBA theory is an oversimplification of the true reaction theory, it has been an extremely useful tool for many years in nuclear spectroscopy, particularly in the determination of the  $l$ -value of the transferred nucleon (Be 65, Fi 68). It appears now that the DWBA theory will also be able to determine  $j$ -values (Yu 68, Se 69) so that additional information can be obtained. But beyond the usefulness of DWBA as a spectroscopic tool lies the expectation that a determination of the limits of the validity of this interaction model will provide insight into the true nature of nuclear reactions.



## CHAPTER 3

### EXPERIMENTAL WORK AND DATA REDUCTION

#### 3.1 Target Preparation

The natural abundance of  $^{48}\text{Ca}$  is 0.18% and it was therefore necessary to use enriched target material. The target material, in the chemical form of  $\text{CaCO}_3$ , was obtained from Oak Ridge National Laboratory.

When  $\text{CaCO}_3$  is heated,  $\text{CO}_2$  is driven off, leaving  $\text{CaO}$  as the material to be evaporated.  $\text{CaO}$  has a melting point of about  $2600^\circ\text{C}$ , a temperature that cannot be reached in a standard heated boat evaporator. Several authors (Ma 66, Be 68), however, have reported the preparation of Ca targets, starting from  $\text{CaCO}_3$ , with the use of a heated Ta boat. Trial evaporations were therefore made with standard  $\text{CaCO}_3$  in a Ta boat. These trial evaporations showed four important points:

- 1) The escaping  $\text{CO}_2$  caused the target material to "jump" and spill out of the boat.
- 2) Ca, not  $\text{CaO}$  was evaporated, as evidenced by the shiny appearance of the evaporated material and it's violent reaction with water.
- 3) The temperature at which all  $\text{CO}_2$  was removed was substantially lower than the temperature at which the Ca was evaporated.



- 4) The Ta boat corroded during the evaporation process.

It was point 4) that was of particular interest since it indicated that Ta acted as a reducing agent for CaO, thus producing free Ca. Since the reduction process takes place at a substantially higher temperature ( $\sim 1700^{\circ}\text{C}$  (Ma 66)) than the melting point of Ca ( $\sim 850^{\circ}\text{C}$ ), the Ca is evaporated as soon as reduction has taken place. A series of quantitative measurements, consisting of weighings before and after evaporation, verified the observation that Ta acts as a reducer for CaO.

In order to facilitate reduction, finely ground Ta powder was thoroughly mixed with the  $\text{CaCO}_3$  in subsequent evaporations. The Ta powder also served the important purpose of reducing the "jumping" of the  $\text{CaCO}_3$  when the  $\text{CO}_2$  is removed. This jumping can cause specks of  $\text{CaCO}_3$  to land on the target backings, thus causing non-uniformities in the target.

The procedure adopted for final target preparation was as follows (all currents quoted pertain to a boat made of 0.002" thick Ta, 1" long, 1/2" wide):

- 1) Ta powder (mesh #325) was thoroughly mixed with  $\text{CaCO}_3$  in the ratio 4:1 by weight. Target blanks with very thin Formvar on carbon backings (the Formvar to be floated and picked up first, then the carbon)





were suspended 3 3/4"-4" above the boat, the Formvar side facing the boat.

- 2) After evacuation of the bell jar, the current through the boat was slowly raised to 25 - 28 A at which point the outgassing of the CO<sub>2</sub> started. While the pressure was monitored and not allowed to go over 3 - 5 times base pressure (to avoid "jumping"), the current was slowly raised until final outgassing had occurred at 55 A.
- 3) The current was then quickly raised to 85 A (this current is about 10% higher than the minimum current at which Ca evaporates, as established in trial evaporations). After 10 seconds the current was lowered to 40 A for one minute, then raised again to 85 A for 10 seconds. A total of four or five 10 second "flashes" were usually made.
- 4) The targets were allowed to cool for about one hour (under vacuum) and were then quickly transferred to the scattering chamber.

Several comments regarding target preparation and handling should be made. First, it is imperative that the Ca be evaporated onto the Formvar since it was found that if the Ca is evaporated onto the carbon, the target will start disintegrating as soon as it is exposed to air. The carbon backing is necessary,



however, to provide a conducting layer for the target.

Because of the great expense of the target material, it would be preferable to reduce the distance between boat and target backings to increase efficiency. The distance of about 4", however, was found to be the optimum distance for target uniformity and target survival (the target backings will break when exposed to the hot boat). At this distance very uniform targets were produced with a survival rate of 60 - 90%. It should be noted that if the flash technique is not used, the survival rate is decreased by a factor of two. With the use of the above technique, targets with a thickness of  $15 - 20 \mu\text{g}/\text{cm}^2$  of  $^{48}\text{Ca}$  were produced from 10 mg of  $^{48}\text{Ca}$ .

Initially attempts were made to keep the  $^{48}\text{Ca}$  from oxidizing during the transfer from the evaporator to the target chamber. It was found, however, that even the shortest contact with air caused virtually complete oxidation because of the extreme thinness of the target. These attempts were therefore abandoned. As a comforting circumstance it was found that the oxidized targets could be successfully stored for long periods of time (several months) in a glass jar that contained some drying agent. For example, one target was used after eight months of storage.

The great difficulties encountered in the evaporations and the necessity for the development of the rather elaborate



evaporation procedure were due to the requirement that very thin, and therefore very fragile, target backings be used, since low (2.5 MeV) deuteron energy runs were planned. If substantially thicker backings can be used, many of the difficulties are greatly reduced and the evaporation efficiency can be greatly increased through a reduction of the boat to backing distance. It was found, however, that target uniformity was greatly affected by such a reduction.

It is of some interest to note that Ta was also found to reduce such oxides as  $\text{SiO}_2$ , MgO and BaO at temperatures well within the range of standard evaporators. It would thus appear that the use of Ta boats and powder provides the possibility of target preparation from the oxides of elements.

### 3.2 Data Acquisition

The data obtained for this thesis can be divided into three parts:

- (a) The angular distributions of the  $^{48}\text{Ca}(d,d)^{48}\text{Ca}$ ,  $^{48}\text{Ca}(d,p)^{49}\text{Ca}(0)$  and  $^{48}\text{Ca}(d,p)^{49}\text{Ca}(2.028)$  reactions
- (b) The yield curves of the (d,d) and (d,p) reactions
- (c) The angular distributions of the analyzing power of the (d,d) and (d,p) reactions.



Parts (a) and (b) were obtained with the University of Alberta Van de Graaff accelerator; Part (c) was obtained with the University of Wisconsin, Madison, tandem Van de Graaff accelerator.

(a) Angular Distributions

The angular distributions were taken in a scattering chamber designed by Dr. G. Roy of the Nuclear Research Centre, University of Alberta. A complete description of the scattering chamber and associated equipment is given in Hu 69. Four moveable detectors, set  $10^\circ$  apart at a distance of 8" from the centre of the chamber, were used simultaneously to obtain the angular distributions. Collimators with a circular aperture were used with the detectors, each of the two forward detectors subtending a solid angle of about  $2 \times 10^{-4}$  steradians, each of the other two a solid angle of about  $3.2 \times 10^{-4}$  steradians. Each detector was connected through a pre-amplifier and amplifier to its own ADC. Each ADC was connected to a clock for dead time measurements. The output of the four ADC's was stored in the memory of the on-line SDS-920 computer (see Fig. 3.1).

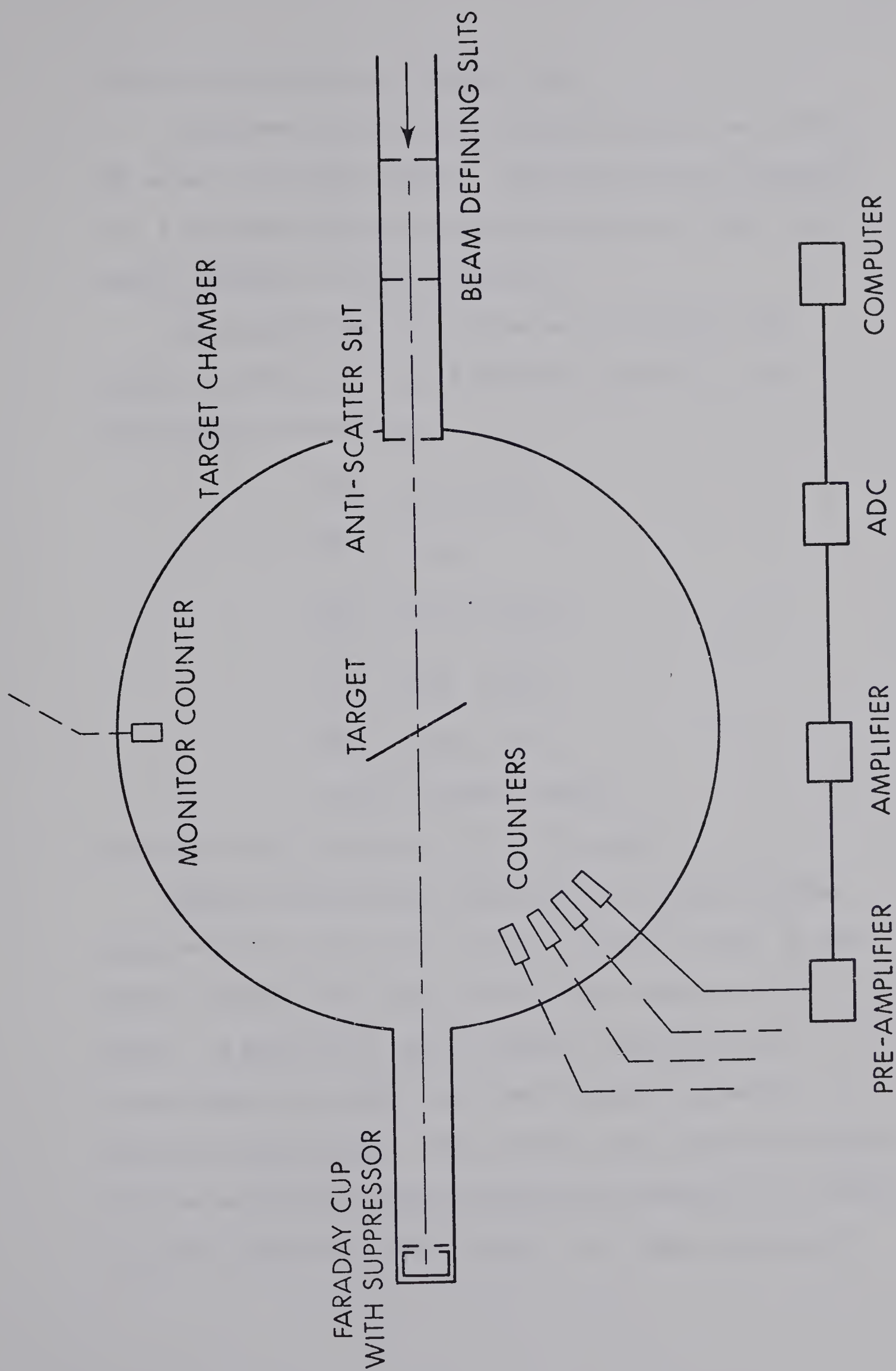
A fifth detector, subtending a solid angle of about  $3.9 \times 10^{-4}$  steradians and held stationary at  $90^\circ$  was used as a monitor detector. It was connected to an ADC which employs its own memory. The contents of this memory can be dumped into the computer memory. At the end of each run the data from all five





Figure 3.1      Drawing (schematic) of the experimental arrangement at the University of Alberta.







detectors was written on magnetic tape.

Charge was collected in a Faraday cup which was mounted 18" beyond the target chamber. The Faraday cup was equipped with a secondary electron suppressor biased to -1000 V and mounted slightly in front of the cup.

The composition of the Ca target employed for the angular distributions is as follows (as supplied by Oak Ridge National Laboratory):

$^{48}\text{Ca}$  81.9  $\pm$ 0.2%

$^{46}\text{Ca}$  <0.05%

$^{44}\text{Ca}$  2.02  $\pm$ 0.05%

$^{42}\text{Ca}$  0.31  $\pm$ 0.05%

$^{40}\text{Ca}$  15.67  $\pm$ 0.2%

traces of other elements

The target had a thickness of 15 - 20  $\mu\text{g}/\text{cm}^2$

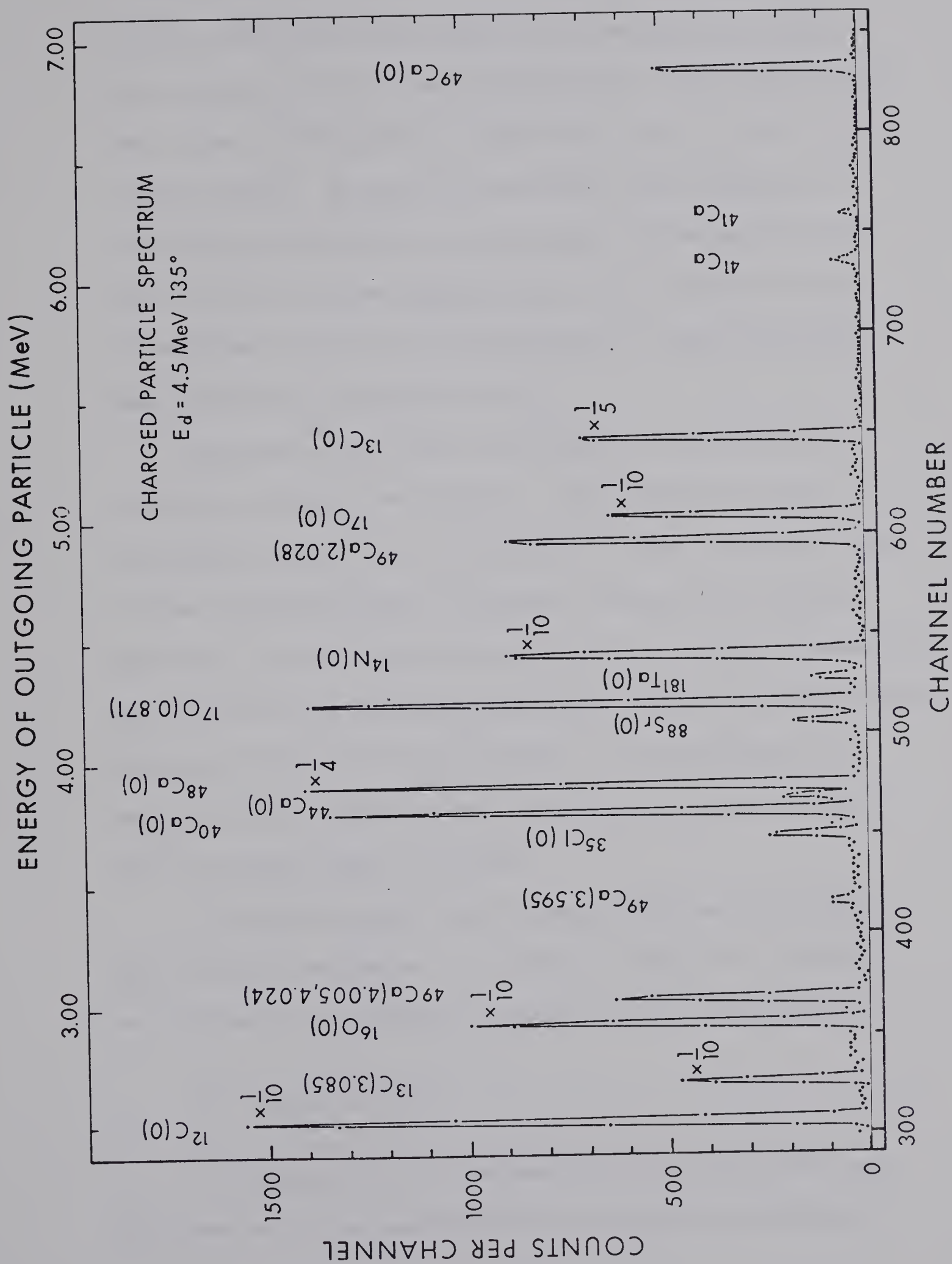
Angular distributions were taken at incident deuteron energies of 2.5, 3.0, 3.5, 4.0, 4.5, 5.0 and 5.5 MeV, at the higher energies in 5° steps, at the lower energies in 10° steps. In addition, a partial angular distribution at forward angles was taken with 2 MeV protons to provide absolute cross sections. The detectors were cooled with liquid nitrogen and the resolution obtained was nominally 18 - 25 KeV. A typical spectrum is shown in Fig. 3.2. Dead time for any



Figure 3.2      Charged particle spectrum. The target consisted of a layer of Ca, enriched to 81.9% in  $^{48}\text{Ca}$ , on a thin Formvar and carbon backing.









one detector was kept to less than 5%. Angles forward of  $95^\circ$  were taken with the target in the transmission mode (the target at  $-35^\circ$  to the incident beam); angles back of  $85^\circ$  were taken in the reflection mode (the target at  $+35^\circ$  to the incident beam). It should be mentioned that previous to the taking of the angular distributions the adjustable beam slits (Ro 69) had been adjusted such that a minimum number of background counts were detected when a target blank was used instead of a complete target.

In order to gain self-consistency of the data, the following procedure was adopted. Data was taken in the reflection mode at the first deuteron energy (4.5 MeV), then in the transmission mode. Without a change in the target position, data was taken at the next energy in the transmission mode, then in the reflection mode, and so on. The 2 MeV proton data was included in this procedure. At each energy the monitor counter provided the normalization constant between the two target modes, if needed.

It should be noted that at each energy several angles were repeated as checks. In addition, angles were repeated at previously run energies to detect target deterioration.

#### (b) Yield Curves

The experimental arrangement for the yield curves was the same as the one employed for the angular distributions.



The five detectors were positioned at 65°, 90°, 115°, 145° and 165°. The energy range between 2.3 MeV and 6.0 MeV was covered as follows:

2.30 - 2.50 MeV in 50 KeV steps

2.50 - 2.70 MeV in 40 KeV steps

2.70 - 3.75 MeV in 20 KeV steps

3.75 - 6.00 MeV in 10 KeV steps

A target of 15 - 20  $\mu\text{g}/\text{cm}^2$  was used; the composition of the target (as supplied by Oak Ridge National Laboratory) is given below:

$^{48}\text{Ca}$  97.16  $\pm$  0.05%

$^{46}\text{Ca}$  < 0.02

$^{44}\text{Ca}$  0.10  $\pm$  0.02%

$^{42}\text{Ca}$  0.04  $\pm$  0.02%

$^{40}\text{Ca}$  2.71  $\pm$  0.02%

traces of other elements

A total of 326 runs were taken. This number includes 37 repeat runs. Repeat runs were usually separated from the original run by 10 hours, but a number of repeat runs were done with time gaps of 30 - 100 hours.

It is of interest that the presence of the oxygen on the  $^{48}\text{Ca}$  target proved to be beneficial in that a great deal of accelerator time was saved since the  $^{16}\text{O}$  angular distribution



and yield curve data were used by N. E. Davison in his study of the  $^{16}\text{O} + \text{d}$  reactions (Da 69).

(c) Polarized Deuteron Work

The polarized deuteron work was done in collaboration with Dr. P. Quinn and Dr. W. Haeberli of the University of Wisconsin, Madison, Wisconsin.

The experimental arrangement was very similar to the one employed at the University of Alberta. Four moveable detectors,  $10^\circ$  apart at a distance of 2.5" from the target centre were used simultaneously. The detector collimators were 0.7" high and 0.1" wide so that each detector subtended a solid angle of about  $1.1 \times 10^{-2}$  steradians. The four detectors were connected through a routing system to an ADC. The output of the ADC was stored in the memory of the on-line computer. Normalization factors for the various runs were obtained through detection of the elastically scattered deuterons in two detectors, placed at  $13^\circ$ . The monitor detectors were set symmetrically above and below the scattering plane. The sum of the counts of the monitors is insensitive to small changes in the beam direction and is independent of the vector analyzing power of the elastically scattered deuterons (Yu 68). Pulses from the monitor counters were fed into scalers. At the end of each run the four spectra and the scaler numbers were written on magnetic tape. A





schematic drawing of the target chamber and associated equipment is shown in Sc 68.

A self-supporting target of about  $1.8 \text{ mg/cm}^2$  (obtained from Oak Ridge National Laboratory) was employed for this part of the experiment. The target composition is given below:

$^{48}\text{Ca}$       97.2  $\pm 0.05\%$

$^{46}\text{Ca}$        $< 0.02\%$

$^{44}\text{Ca}$       0.10  $\pm 0.02\%$

$^{42}\text{Ca}$       0.04  $\pm 0.02\%$

$^{40}\text{Ca}$       2.71  $\pm 0.02\%$

traces of other elements

In order to reduce oxidation of this valuable target, the sealed glass tube that contained the target was opened inside an Argon-filled, transparent plastic bag that was equipped with gloves. After the target had been mounted on the target support, the bag was placed over the target support hole in the top of the chamber (which had also been filled with Argon) and the target support was lowered into the chamber. The chamber was then quickly evacuated.

An angular distribution was taken at an incident deuteron energy of 5.5 MeV to coincide with the 5.5 MeV angular distribution taken at the University of Alberta. The average beam current of the polarized deuteron beam at this



energy was about 0.4 nA. The dead time for any run was less than 0.5%.

The polarized ion source has been described in Ha 67 and Cl 67. The source allows one to use vector polarized deuterons which have either spin up or spin down relative to the scattering plane. One can therefore measure asymmetries by taking two runs, one with spin up deuterons and one with spin down deuterons, leaving the counters at the same angles.

### 3.3 Data Reduction

#### (a) Angular Distributions

The major target contaminants were  $^{12}\text{C}$  and  $^{16}\text{O}$ . In addition to the Ca isotopes, very small quantities of  $^{35}\text{Cl}$ ,  $^{88}\text{Sr}$  and  $^{181}\text{Ta}$ , detected through their elastic scattering peaks, were present on the target (see Fig. 3.2). The presence of  $^{88}\text{Sr}$  could be explained from the fact that Sr had been used in a previous evaporation.

As an initial step in the data reduction, the monitor sums of the  $^{48}\text{Ca}$  elastic scattering peaks were taken for all the runs. In order to achieve uniformity in the summing, the following procedure was adopted. For a particular energy it was ascertained that the peak was centred around the same channel for all the runs. Constant sets of channels were then used to take the peak sum and sample the background for



all the runs at that energy. The background was generally of the order of 1 - 2% and the statistical error was usually less than 1%. For each run the integrated charge was divided by the peak sum. This ratio was constant within the statistical errors and it was therefore decided that the integrated charge could be used as a normalization factor for the angular distributions. It is implicit in the above statement that no normalization factor (different from 1) was needed between the two target modes.

The reduction of the ground state data was a simple procedure since no major contaminant peaks interfered with this peak. The numerous  $^{41}\text{Ca}$  peaks surrounding the  $^{49}\text{Ca}$  ground state peak were too small to be identified and formed part of the rather smooth background. Sums were therefore taken with a lightpen. The background was normally 1 - 2% of the peak sum except at far forward angles where the background was much larger. After background subtraction, the sums were corrected for dead time and normalized for charge to give relative cross sections. Statistical errors were typically 2 - 3% except at far forward angles where they were of the order of 6%. Poorer statistics were taken at the far forward angles to restrict the number of deuterons that entered the counters.

Although the statistical errors are indicative of the reliability of the data points, it was found from the repeat



runs that a more realistic experimental error of 5% should be adopted instead of the 2 - 3% statistical error. This increase in the error can be attributed to several error sources: current integration, target non-uniformities, uncertainty in the relative solid angles of the detectors (about 1%) and the uncertainty in the detector angles (about  $0.2^\circ - 0.3^\circ$ ).

For the far forward angles a different procedure was used to obtain sums and experimental errors. Where conditions of high background and poor statistics prevail, it is normally found that a number of equally acceptable ways of determining background and sums will give quite different results. Several sum and background determinations were therefore made with as much objectivity as possible and the average of these sums (after background subtraction) was used as the final sum. The deviation from the average was then folded in with the statistical error and the result rounded off to the nearest multiple of five to give the experimental error.

Several contaminant peaks ( $^{14}\text{N}(0)$ ,  $^{17}\text{O}(0)$  and  $^{17}\text{O}(0.871)$ ) interfered with the  $^{49}\text{Ca}(2.028)$  peak at a number of angles. Lightpen sums were taken at angles where the peak was free. When a contaminant peak partially overlapped with the  $^{49}\text{Ca}$  peak, two analysis methods were used. The first one was to plot and separate the two peaks by hand. The second one employed a peak analysis program. It was found that if care was taken







the results from the two methods agreed very well. The background was nominally 4 - 6% of the peak sum; the statistical error was 2 - 3% and the experimental error was again set at 5%. At far forward angles the procedure outlined for the ground state was used. In this case, however, the situation was aggravated by the presence of the  $^{17}\text{O}(0.871)$  peak on the high energy side so that experimental errors became quite large.

The elastic scattering peak of  $^{48}\text{Ca}$  was free from contaminant peaks at back angles, except for a few far back angles at 5.5 MeV, where the  $^{14}\text{N}(0)$  state interfered. Forward of  $90^\circ - 95^\circ$  the  $^{44}\text{Ca}$  elastic scattering peak merged with the  $^{48}\text{Ca}$  elastic peak. The sum of the combined peaks was then taken and, with the assumption that the elastic scattering cross sections for  $^{44}\text{Ca}$  and  $^{48}\text{Ca}$  were the same, the contribution due to  $^{48}\text{Ca}$  was extracted from the sum, according to the relative abundance figures given previously. In order to check the reliability of this procedure, the  $^{44}\text{Ca}$  and  $^{48}\text{Ca}$  peaks were summed as one peak at angles slightly back of  $90^\circ$  where the two peaks had not yet merged. The  $^{48}\text{Ca}$  contribution was then found and this sum was compared to the sum of the  $^{48}\text{Ca}$  peak alone. The two results always agreed to within 0.3%. Forward of  $65^\circ - 70^\circ$  the  $^{40}\text{Ca}$  peak merged with the  $^{48}\text{Ca}$  peak as well. The same extraction procedure was used; the checks in this case showed agreement within 1.5%. In addition, it should be



mentioned that the elastic cross sections of  $^{40}\text{Ca}$  (Le 68) and  $^{48}\text{Ca}$  are virtually identical at angles forward of  $70^\circ$  at 5.0 MeV.

The above described extraction procedure relies on the relative abundance figures supplied by Oak Ridge National Laboratory as well as on the assumption that these figures are unchanged after evaporation and deuteron bombardment. From the work of T. A. Belote et al. (Be 68) and S. A. Anderson et al. (An 68) it appears that the above assumption is justified.

The background was nominally 1 - 2% of the elastic peak sum; statistical errors were less than 1%. An experimental error of 2.5% was assigned for angles greater than  $65^\circ$ . An error of 5% was assigned for angles smaller than  $65^\circ$  for two main reasons. First, because of the very rapid increase in the elastic cross section at forward angles, the uncertainty in the detector angles can give rise to errors estimated at 2 - 3%. Secondly, it is felt that some additional error was introduced with the extraction procedure when  $^{40}\text{Ca}$  was present. The most forward angle at which the  $^{48}\text{Ca}$  sum could be taken was usually determined by the merging of the  $^{88}\text{Sr}$  peak with the Ca peak.

The 2.0 MeV proton elastic scattering was taken at four angles between  $70^\circ$  and  $90^\circ$ . Each angle was repeated once. The data was reduced in the same way as the deuteron elastic



scattering data. Background and statistical errors were less than 1% and an experimental error of 2.5% was assigned.

The conversion factor needed to convert the peak sums to absolute cross sections can now be determined as follows. Consider the equation

$$N_R = \frac{Q}{e} n \Omega \sigma_R \quad 3.1$$

where  $N_R$  is the number of counts in the  $^{48}\text{Ca}(p,p)^{48}\text{Ca}$  peak

$Q$  is the total charge passing through the target

$e$  is the charge of the proton

$n$  is the number of  $^{48}\text{Ca}$  nuclei per  $\text{cm}^2$

$\Omega$  is the solid angle of the detector

$\sigma_R$  is the  $^{48}\text{Ca}$  Rutherford cross section for proton scattering

If  $Q$ ,  $n$  and  $\Omega$  are held constant, Eq. 3.1 can be written

$$N_R = \alpha \sigma_R \quad 3.2$$

Since  $N_R$  is measured and  $\sigma_R$  is known,  $\alpha$  can be determined.

Eq. 3.2 can now be generalized to read

$$N = \alpha \sigma \quad 3.3$$

Thus, since  $\alpha$  is known, any peak sum can be converted to absolute cross sections. In this case, the average  $\alpha$ , determined from the four angles, was used as the conversion factor.



It was assumed in this procedure that the proton scattering was purely Rutherford. Some credence is given to this assumption by a calculation of the elastic scattering with the proton parameters that were used in the DWBA calculations. These calculations show that the scattering is more than 99.2% Rutherford at  $90^\circ$ .

Listings of the angular distribution cross sections are presented in Appendix A. Graphs are shown in the next chapter.

#### (b) Yield Curves

The following table shows the approximate percentage background and statistical error for the peak sums:

Reaction	Background % of Peak Sum	Statistical Error (%)
$^{48}\text{Ca}(d,d)^{48}\text{Ca}$	~1	<1
$^{48}\text{Ca}(d,p)^{49}\text{Ca}(0)$	~1	2 - 3
$^{48}\text{Ca}(d,p)^{49}\text{Ca}(2.028)$	~3	2 - 3

A comparison of the repeat runs with the original runs showed that an experimental error of 2% should be assigned to the elastic scattering cross sections and an error of 4% to the (d,p) reaction cross sections. This comparison also showed that the average deviation was 0.3% and it was therefore concluded that the target had not deteriorated during the running period.





The conversion factor, needed to convert the peak sums to absolute cross sections, was obtained from the angular distributions. This conversion factor, an average over the seven angular distributions, had an r.m.s. error of 2.5%. The r.m.s. error is a strong indication of the relative error for the angular distribution cross sections over the 2.5 - 5.5 MeV energy range.

The ratio  $\sigma/\sigma_R$  was calculated for the elastic scattering yield curves. Since, at  $65^\circ$ , this ratio is  $1.00 \pm 0.03$  below 3.2 MeV, the previous determination of the absolute cross sections is confirmed.

Because of the rather large number (~4400) of data points, no listing of the yield curve cross sections is given in this thesis. Graphs of the yield curves are shown in the next chapter. The elastic scattering is shown as the ratio  $\sigma/\sigma_R$ .

### (c) Polarized Deuteron Work

The great care taken in transferring the target was repaid since contaminant peaks were negligible. Sums were taken with a lightpen and the following table gives the approximate percentage background and statistical error:



Reaction	Background % of Peak Sum	Statistical Error (%)
$^{48}\text{Ca} (d,d) ^{48}\text{Ca}$	~2	<1
$^{48}\text{Ca}(d,p) ^{49}\text{Ca}(0)$	~2	2 - 3
$^{48}\text{Ca}(d,p) ^{49}\text{Ca}(2.028)$	~4 - 6	2 - 3

The analyzing power was calculated with the on-line computer from the formula

$$P_d^{(r)} = \frac{2}{3p} \frac{r-1}{r+1} \left[ \frac{1}{1 - \frac{\Delta p}{p} \frac{r-1}{r+1}} \right] \quad 3.4$$

where  $P_d$  refers to the analyzing power of the elastic scattering and  $P_d^r$  refers to the analyzing power of the (d,p) reactions. This formula may be simply derived from the basic formula (Yu 68)

$$\sigma_{\uparrow,\downarrow}(\theta) = \sigma_{\text{unp}}(\theta) \left[ 1 \pm \frac{3}{2} P_{\uparrow,\downarrow} P_d^{(r)}(\theta) \right] \quad 3.5$$

(the arrows  $\uparrow$  and  $\downarrow$  indicate deuterons with spin up and spin down respectively) with the substitutions

$$r = \frac{S_{\uparrow}}{S_{\downarrow}} \quad S \text{ is the peak sum normalized for charge}$$

$$p_{\uparrow} + p_{\downarrow} = 2p \quad p \text{ is the average beam polarization}$$

$$p_{\uparrow} - p_{\downarrow} = 2\Delta p \quad 2\Delta p \text{ is the difference between the spin up and spin down polarization}$$

The formula from which relative cross sections can be calculated may also be derived from Eq. 3.5 and is given by



$$\sigma = \frac{1}{2} [S_{\uparrow} + S_{\downarrow}] \left[1 - \frac{\Delta p}{p} \frac{r-1}{r+1}\right] \quad 3.6$$

It should be noted that it has been assumed in Eq. 3.5 that no tensor polarization is present in the beam.

Because of the finite height of the detectors, two corrections must be considered. First, the average detector angle  $\bar{\theta}$  must be determined. From Fig. 3.3 (top) it is seen that

$$\begin{aligned} d_o \cos \theta_o &= \sqrt{d_o^2 + y^2} \cos \theta_y \\ \therefore \cos \theta_y &= \frac{d_o}{\sqrt{d_o^2 + y^2}} \cos \theta_o \end{aligned}$$

Thus  $\theta_y$  may be determined for any  $y$ . If the detector height is divided into  $n$  strips of equal height,  $\bar{\theta}$  is given by

$$\bar{\theta} = [\theta_o + \sum_{1}^n \theta_y] / (n + 1)$$

In this case  $n = 18$  was used.

Secondly, a correction must be applied to the analyzing power since the beam polarization is given by  $p \cos \phi$ , where the angle  $\phi$  is shown in Fig. 3.3 (bottom). It is therefore necessary to average the beam polarization over  $\cos \phi$  when finite height detectors are used, i.e., the average beam polarization  $p' = p \overline{\cos \phi}$ . Thus the average  $P'_d = P_d / \overline{\cos \phi}$  (See Eq. 3.4).

The angle  $\phi$  and thus  $\overline{\cos \phi}$  may be easily determined from Fig. 3.3 since  $l = d_o \sin \theta$

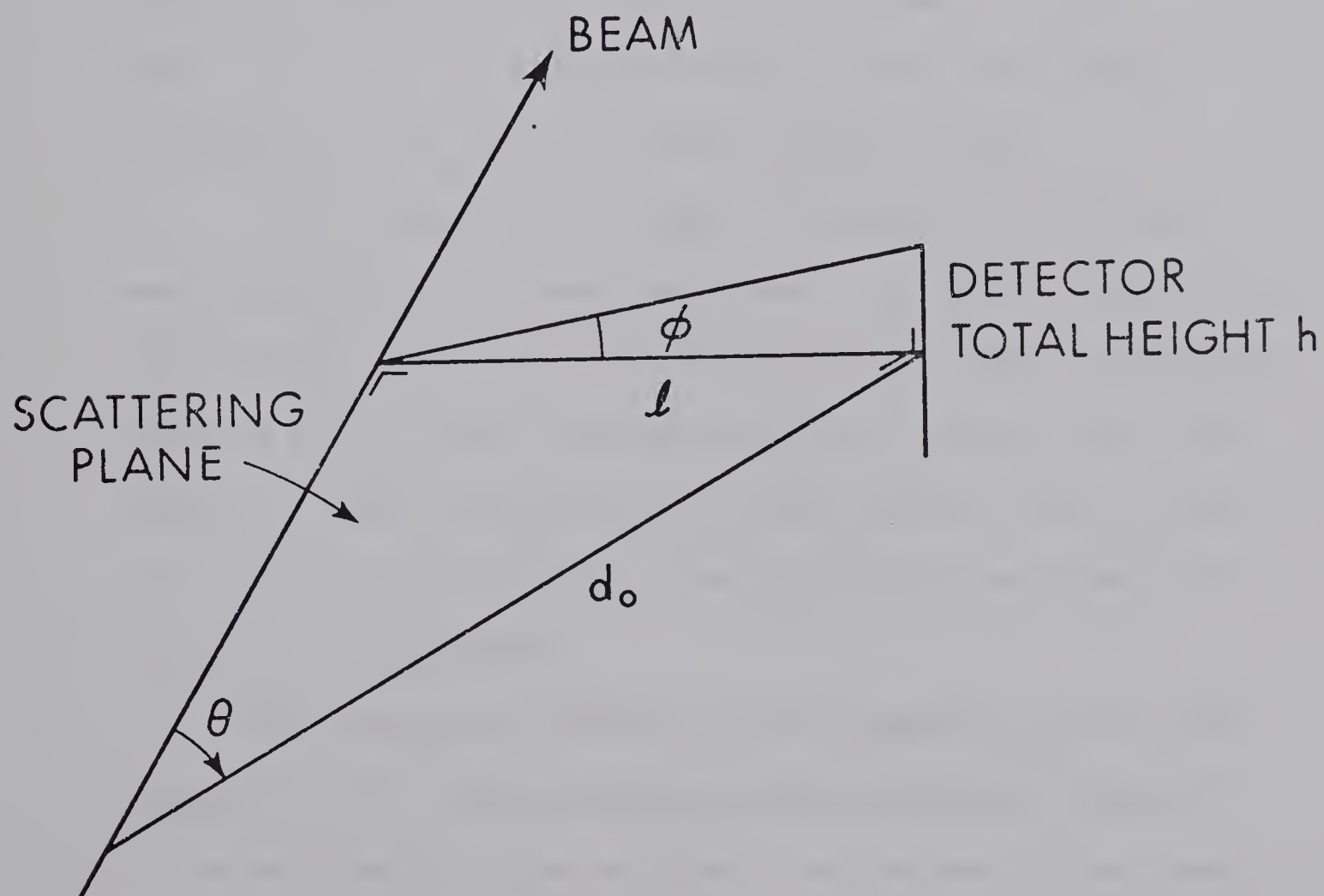
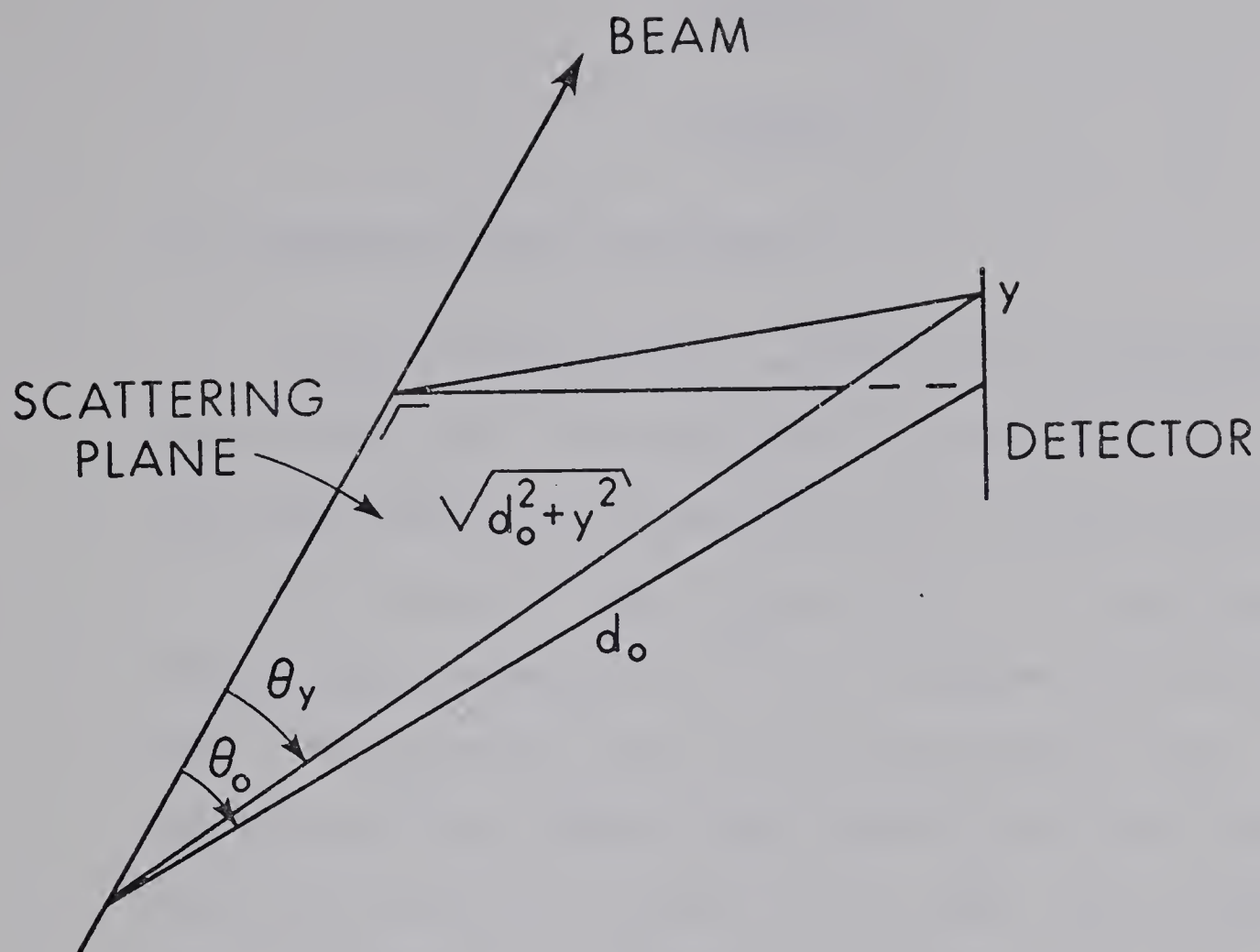
$$\therefore \phi = \tan^{-1} \frac{h}{2d_o \sin \theta}$$



Figure 3.3      Explanatory drawing for the determination  
of the average scattering angle  $\bar{\theta}$  (top)  
and the correction factor  $\overline{\cos\phi}$  (bottom)









## CHAPTER 4

### ANALYSIS

#### 4.1 Compound nucleus calculations

A short account of the compound nucleus calculations will be given here. The calculations were performed with the program HAUSER (Sm 65) modified by N. E. Davison (Da 69a).

The statistical model requires that all energetically allowed decay channels of the  $^{48}\text{Ca} + d$  compound nucleus be known. Unfortunately, only the low lying states in the residual nuclei are known so that a statistical level density distribution had to be assumed for the higher lying levels. The level density formula used in the program is of the form  $\log N(E_x) = a + b \sqrt{E_x}$  where  $N(E_x)$  is the total number of levels up to  $E_x$  and  $E_x$  is the excitation energy.

It was found that the major uncertainty in the results was introduced by the level densities. Two sets of calculations were therefore done, one with level densities that were slightly high and one with level densities that were slightly low. The results of these calculations fell approximately 40% on either side of the original results, thus providing some estimate of the relative uncertainty.

The calculations showed that the compound nucleus cross sections for the elastic scattering were negligible compared to the experimental cross sections. In the case of the ground



state the compound nucleus cross sections were less than 10% of the smallest measured cross sections at deuteron bombarding energies between 4.0 MeV and 5.5 MeV and less than 5% at the lower energies. For the first excited state the compound nucleus cross sections were less than 2% of the smallest measured cross sections over the entire energy range.

#### 4.2 Optical Model Analysis

Two computer codes were used in parallel for the optical model analysis. The first code, PEREY, written by Perey (Pe 63, Ob 66) did not allow the use of a spin-orbit potential for spin 1 particles; the second code, SNOOPY<sup>\*</sup>, did allow the use of a spin-orbit potential but did not contain the non-locality correction. The specific results quoted in this chapter were obtained with the code SNOOPY. The findings from the two codes were very similar (except, of course, findings relating to the spin-orbit potential) so that statements made in this section apply to both codes.

It was felt that it was in the nature of the optical model that a broad and continuous range of parameter sets

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<sup>\*</sup>Obtained from W. Haeberli, University of Wisconsin, Madison, Wisconsin.



should exist which would fit the data about equally well, i.e.,  $\chi^2$ , the goodness-of-fit parameter would vary slowly and continuously (see Fig. 4.1). An initial series of calculations was therefore performed in which only the central potentials were used to reduce the complexity of the situation. In these calculations the real potential well depth  $V$  was gridded from 90 to 130 MeV in steps of 5 MeV, each step followed by a search over other parameters (this type of calculation will be referred to as a grid-search). Several 2, 3, 4 and 5 parameter combinations were used for the searched parameters. From these calculations it was found that a search over any 2 or 3 parameter combination was insufficient and that a five parameter search was erratic in the sense that the program tended to get "lost" in parameter space, and would find its way into unphysical regions. A four parameter search, however, proved to be both necessary and sufficient to produce the anticipated continuous behaviour. It was also found that three parameters belonging to the same potential should not be searched simultaneously in order to avoid erratic results.

A total of six parameters must be determined for the two central potentials. Since  $V$  is to be gridded, it follows from the above findings that one parameter belonging to the imaginary potential cannot be searched but must be fixed or





gridded. The choice of the imaginary diffuseness  $a_i$  as the "fixed" parameter was governed by the following considerations: that the imaginary radius  $r_i$  had been found to be a necessary search parameter and that the imaginary well depth  $W$  was expected, from the results of Schwandt and Haeberli (Sc 69), to vary with incident deuteron energy, so that a search over  $W$  would be preferable.

The central parameters to be searched simultaneously are therefore:

- the real radius  $r_o$
- the real diffuseness  $a_o$
- the imaginary well depth  $W$
- the imaginary radius  $r_i$

The starting point for the optical model analysis was the 5.5 MeV data since it included the deuteron polarization which is needed to determine the spin-orbit potential. The inclusion of the spin-orbit potential means that now a total of nine parameters must be determined. A preliminary set of searches over the combined cross section and polarization data established the following three points:

- 1) The fit to the polarization data was very poor (see Fig. 4.3). The  $\chi^2$  belonging to the polarization data is therefore very high and cannot be used as a convergence criterion for optimum fit.



- 2) The spin-orbit parameters affect the cross section  $\chi^2$  very little (see Table 4.2) and have their major effect on the polarization fit in the sense that they are needed to generate the polarization. Points 1) and 2) therefore show that the objective approach of searching over the spin-orbit parameters to establish a best fit is meaningless and that a subjective, i.e., visual, approach must be used to fit the polarization data. It should be pointed out, however, that because of this approach, the polarization fit is rather insensitive to small changes in the spin-orbit parameters.
- 3) A search over the four previously mentioned central potential parameters (spin-orbit parameters fixed) produces a basically correct shape for the polarization. In other words, the central potential parameters affect the fit to the polarization data greatly and these parameters, properly optimized, can predict the basic shape of the polarization.

Similar findings have been reported by Schwandt and Haeberli (Sc 69).



In view of the above findings, the 5.5 MeV data was analyzed with a grid-search in which  $V$ ,  $a_i$ ,  $V_{SO}$ ,  $r_{SO}$ , and  $a_{SO}$  were gridded and  $r_o$ ,  $a_o$ ,  $W$  and  $r_i$  were searched. The spin-orbit parameters were then selected on the basis of best subjective fit to the polarization data. The central potential parameters were of course determined by the minimum  $\chi^2$  for the cross section. The results for the central potential parameters are shown in Fig. 4.1, where the parameters  $r_o$ ,  $a_o$ ,  $W$ ,  $r_i$  and  $a_i$  are plotted versus  $V$ . It should be noted that identical results for the searched parameters were obtained from three different sets of starting values. These results are therefore independent of a possible bias in the starting values.

The spin-orbit parameters were found to be constant with  $V$  within the subjective approach that was used. The values for these parameters are

$$V_{SO} = 10.0 \text{ Mev}$$

$$r_{SO} = 0.91 \text{ fm}$$

$$a_{SO} = 0.60 \text{ fm}$$

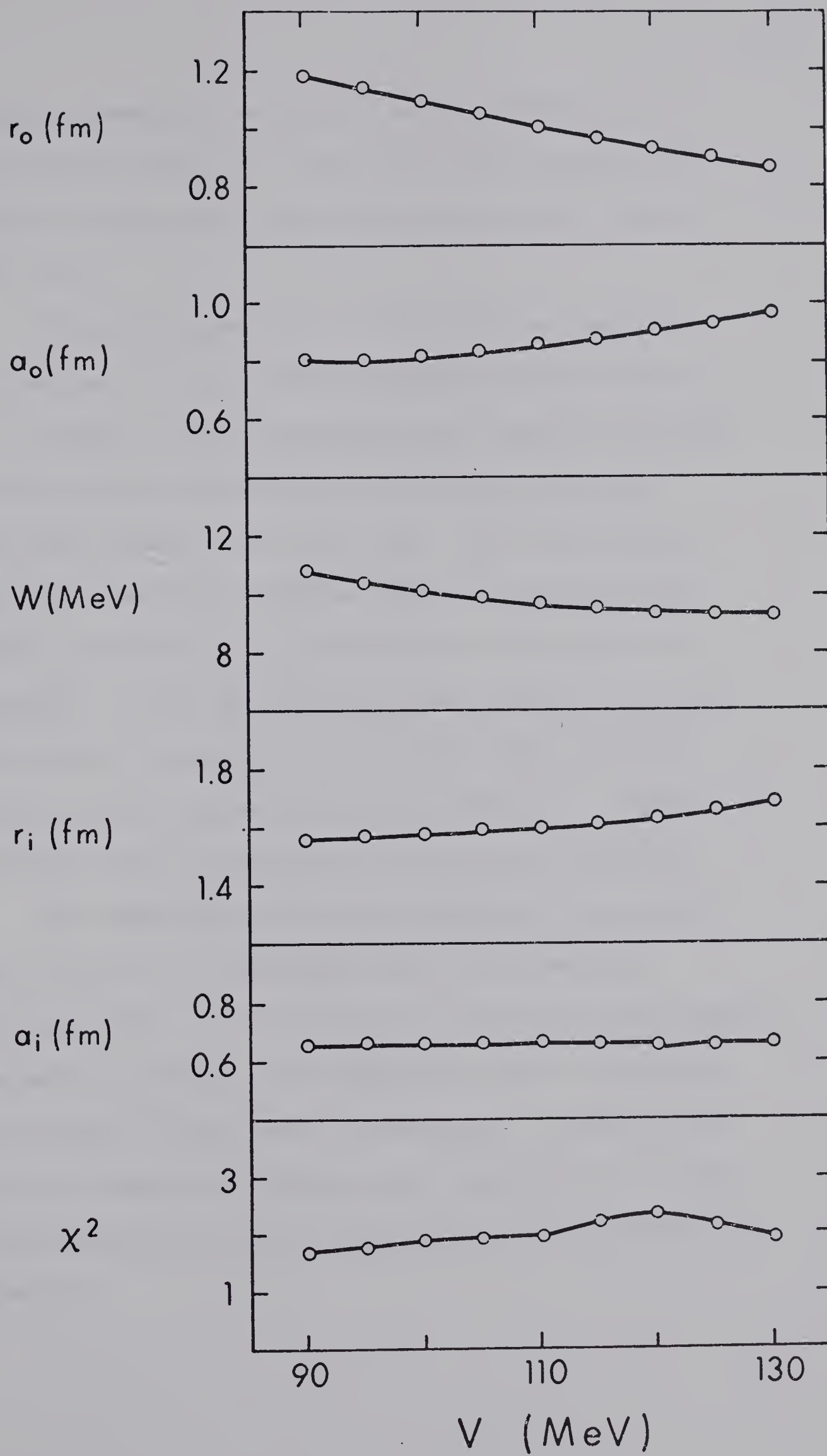
The six energies between 2.5 and 5.0 MeV were analyzed with a grid-search in which  $V$  and  $a_i$  were gridded and  $r_o$ ,  $a_o$ ,  $W$  and  $r_i$  were searched. The spin-orbit parameters were held constant at the above stated values, since no polarization data, necessary to determine these parameters, was available at these energies. The behaviour of the central



Figure 4.1      The central potential parameters  $r_o$ ,  $a_o$ ,  $W$ ,  $r_i$ ,  $a_i$  and the goodness-of-fit parameter  $\chi^2$  as a function of the real well depth  $V$  for the deuteron energy  $E_d = 5.5$  MeV.









potential parameters was similar to the behaviour at 5.5 MeV as shown in Fig. 4.1. Fits to the cross section and polarization data are shown in Fig. 4.2 and Fig. 4.3 as solid lines.

It is seen from Fig. 4.1 that there is really no preferred set of optical model parameters on the basis of  $\chi^2$ . A number of DWBA calculations were therefore performed in which several deuteron real well depths with their associated parameter sets were used. These calculations showed that the first stripping peak of the ground state was best reproduced for a real deuteron well depth of 90 to 100 MeV. A well depth of 95 MeV was therefore adopted. The parameters belonging to a real well depth of 95 MeV at the various energies are listed in Table 4.1. These parameters will be referred to as the proper parameters.

The ambiguities mentioned in Chapter 2 are clearly seen in Fig. 4.1;  $r_0$  decreases and  $a_0$  increases with increasing  $V$  etc. It is difficult to determine what parameter combination constitutes an ambiguity or what correlations exist between the six central parameters. It would be of interest, however, to determine such correlations in order to derive general rules for the behaviour of the central parameters.



Figure 4.2

Plots of the ratio  $\sigma/\sigma_R$  versus the centre-of-mass angle for the reaction  $^{48}\text{Ca}(d,d)^{48}\text{Ca}$ . The solid and dashed lines are the Optical Model fits to the data calculated with the proper and average deuteron parameters respectively.



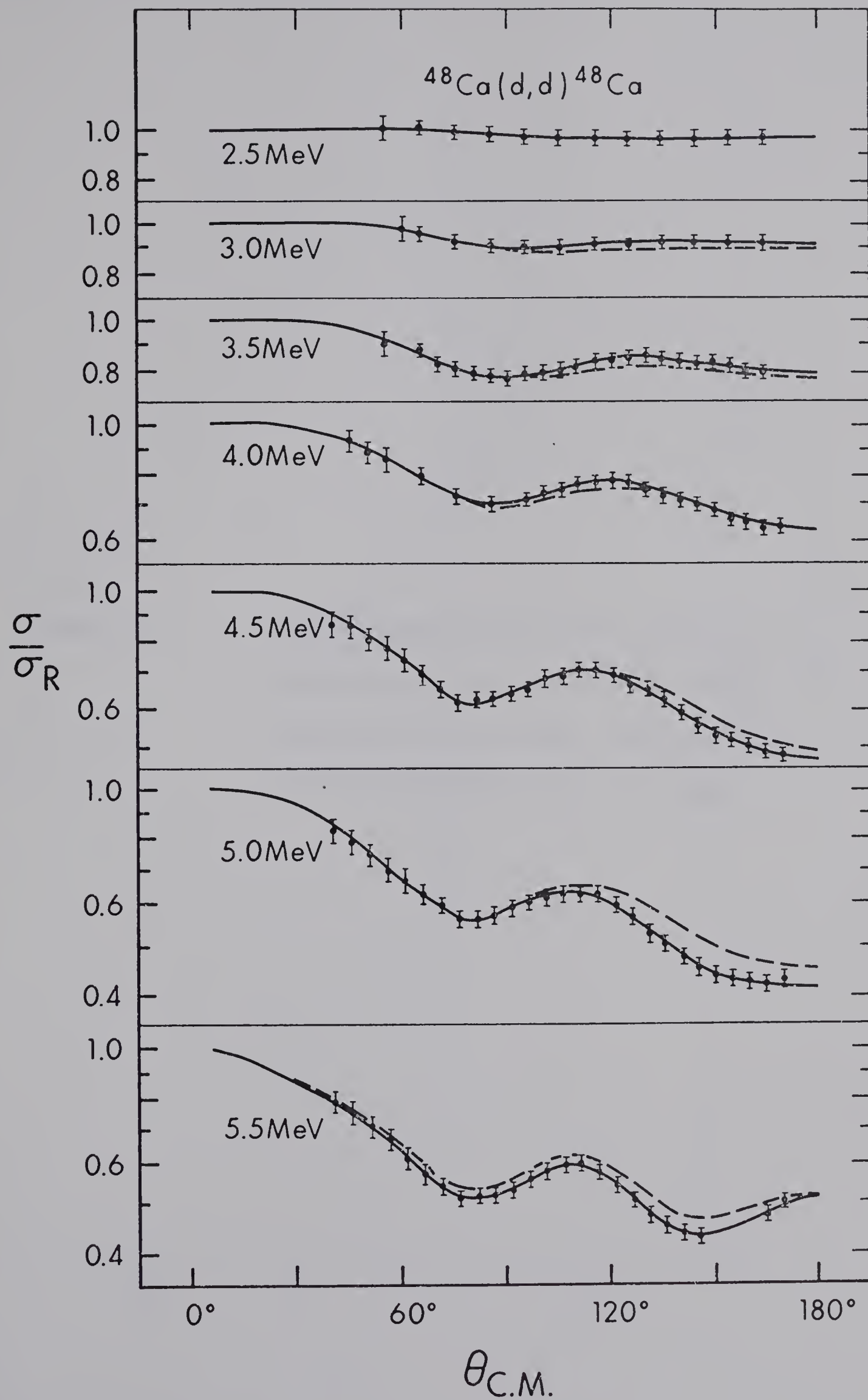






Figure 4.3 Angular distribution of the polarization (analyzing power) of the  $^{48}\text{Ca}(d,d)^{48}\text{Ca}$  reaction.  $E_d = 5.5$  MeV. The solid line is the Optical Model fit to the data.



$^{48}\text{Ca}(d,d)^{48}\text{Ca}$   
 $E_d = 5.5 \text{ MeV}$

0.4

0.2

$P_d$

0

-0.2

0°

40°

80°

120°

160°

$\theta_{\text{C.M.}}$

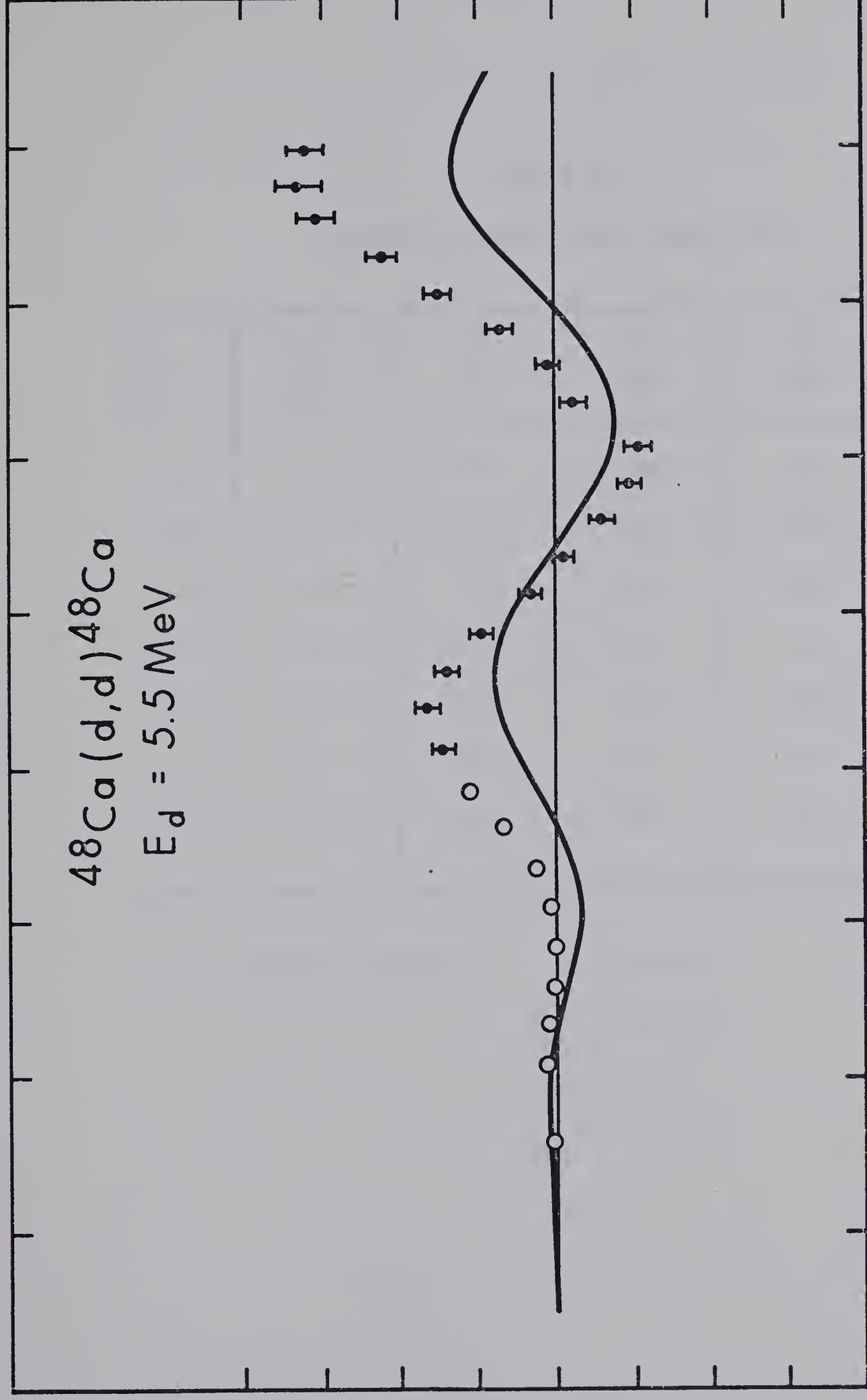




TABLE 4.1  
PROPER OPTICAL MODEL PARAMETERS

$E_d$ (MeV)	$r_o$ (fm)	$a_o$ (fm)	$W$ (MeV)	$r_i$ (fm)	$a_i$ (fm)
2.5	1.11	0.74	6.47	1.54	0.66
3.0	1.18	0.66	7.21	1.60	0.66
3.5	1.16	0.71	6.05	1.68	0.67
4.0	1.19	0.67	8.37	1.46	0.66
4.5	1.18	0.71	9.18	1.48	0.66
5.0	1.22	0.64	13.8	1.26	0.65
5.5	1.14	0.81	10.4	1.57	0.66

At all deuteron energies:  $V = 95.0$  MeV

$$V_{SO} = 10.0 \text{ MeV}$$

$$r_{SO} = 0.91 \text{ fm}$$

$$a_{SO} = 0.60 \text{ fm}$$



A set of calculations was performed in which each parameter was changed in turn by 1% from its proper value and the percentage change in  $\chi^2$  was calculated. The results for deuteron energies of 2.5, 4.0 and 5.5 MeV are shown in Table 4.2. A change of less than 1% in  $\chi^2$  was used as a search cut-off and it appears therefore from the first column in Table 4.2 that even at 2.5 MeV all searched parameters were determined to 1% or better, i.e., a change of 1% in any one parameter could not effect an improvement of 1% in  $\chi^2$ . It is clear, however, that the parameters are less critically determined as the energy decreases, or, in other words, that the minimum in  $\chi^2$  space becomes less pronounced.

The last column in Table 4.2 shows the percentage change in  $\chi^2$  averaged over 4.0 and 5.5 MeV. This figure can be seen as a figure of merit for that parameter in the sense that the higher this figure, the more effective this parameter is in the fitting procedure. These figures substantiate the choice of the four central parameters that were searched. It should be noted that the change in  $\chi^2$  was always an increase. It was therefore also verified that indeed a minimum  $\chi^2$  had been obtained with the proper parameters.

The proper central parameters are plotted versus the incident deuteron energy in Fig. 4.4. It is seen that in order to obtain the average parameters, simple averages can be taken for  $r_o$ ,  $a_o$  and  $a_i$ . In the case of  $r_i$  the scatter





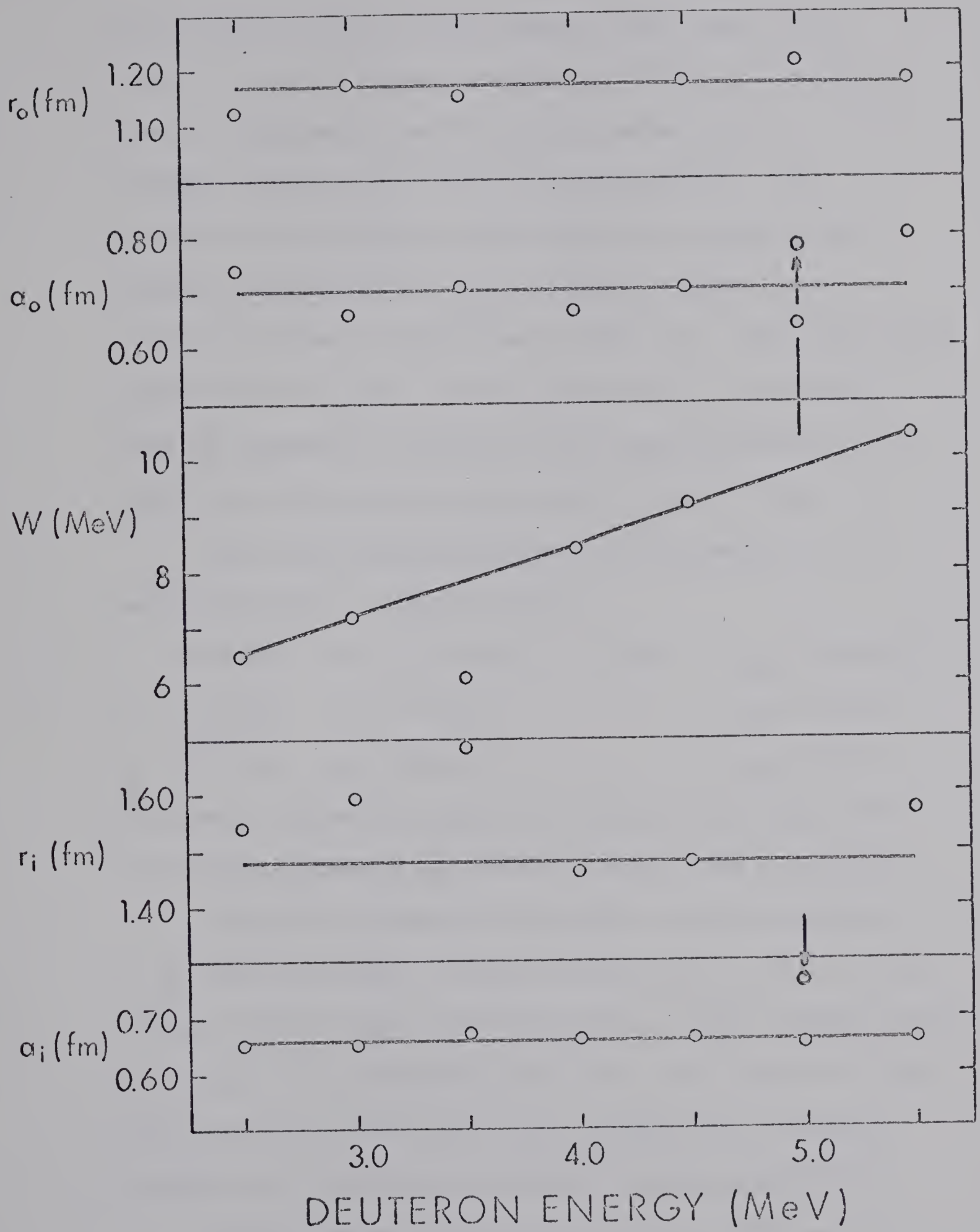
TABLE 4.2  
INCREASE IN  $\chi^2$  FOR 1% CHANGE IN PARAMETER

Parameter Changed by 1%	$E_d = 2.5$ MeV	$E_d = 4.0$ MeV	$E_d = 5.5$ MeV	Average Increase in $\chi^2$ (%)
	Increase in $\chi^2$ (%)	Increase in $\chi^2$ (%)	Increase in $\chi^2$ (%)	
V	6	345	506	425
$r_o$	9	1233	1634	1433
$a_o$	13	291	676	483
W	1	14	27	21
$r_i$	5	198	1167	683
$a_i$	2	15	27	21
$v_{SO}$	0	1	1	1
$r_{SO}$	0	1	1	1
$a_{SO}$	0	0	0	0



Figure 4.4      The proper central potential parameters  $r_o$ ,  $a_o$ ,  $W$ ,  $r_i$  and  $a_i$  as a function of the incident deuteron energy. The real well depth  $V = 95$  MeV. The solid lines show the average parameters.







in the points is quite large without a real trend. The value of  $r_i$  at 4.5 MeV was adopted as the "average" value since at this energy the other proper parameters are virtually identical with the average parameters. The behaviour of the imaginary well depth can be given by the straight line equation  $W = (1.3 E(\text{MeV}) + 3.3) \text{ MeV}$ . The averages are shown as solid lines in Fig. 4.4. The quite smooth behaviour of the proper central parameters over the energy range is expected on the basis of the smooth behaviour of the elastic scattering yield curve, which is shown in Fig. 4.5.

The average deuteron optical model parameters for the energy range 2.5 - 5.5 MeV are thus

$$\begin{array}{lll}
 V = 95.0 \text{ MeV} & W = (1.3 E(\text{MeV}) + 3.3) \text{ MeV} & V_{SO} = 10.0 \text{ MeV} \\
 r_o = 1.17 \text{ fm} & r_i = 1.48 \text{ fm} & r_{SO} = 0.91 \text{ fm} \\
 a_o = 0.71 \text{ fm} & a_i = 0.66 \text{ fm} & a_{SO} = 0.60 \text{ fm}
 \end{array}$$

The elastic scattering angular distributions calculated from the average parameters are shown as dashed lines in Fig. 4.2.

In order to determine the possible energy dependence of the real well depth, a search was made over  $V$  at the various energies with all other parameters fixed at their average values. The values of  $V$  so determined were all in the range  $95 \pm 1 \text{ MeV}$  with no apparent trend and it was concluded that no energy dependence of  $V$  could be established from the present data.

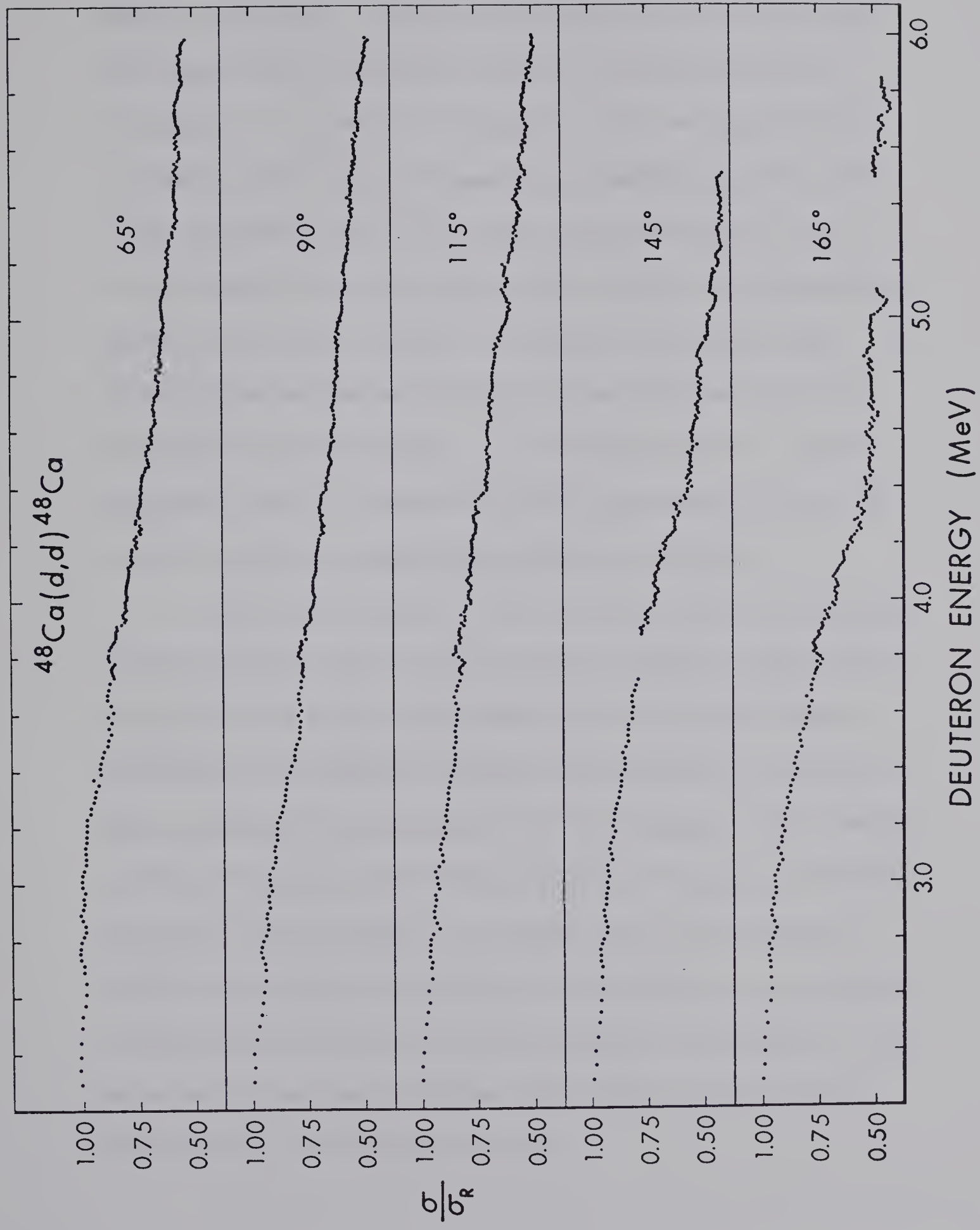
Several comments regarding the Optical Model analysis must be made. From Fig. 4.2 it is clear that the average





Figure 4.5      Plots of the ratio  $\sigma/\sigma_R$  versus the  
incident deuteron energy for the  
reaction  $^{48}\text{Ca}(d,d)^{48}\text{Ca}$ .







deuteron parameters do not fit the data as well as the proper parameters. It should be noted, however, that only the magnitude is affected, whereas the proper phase is preserved. As a matter of interest, the average deuteron parameters for  $^{40}\text{Ca}$  of Schwandt and Haeberli (Sc 69) were used to generate the  $^{48}\text{Ca}$  elastic scattering at 5.5 MeV. It was found that the angular distribution so calculated was greatly different in phase. It appears therefore that deuteron parameters appropriate to one nucleus can not be used with another nucleus. It is hoped, however, that an extensive study of deuteron elastic scattering may provide a set of generally applicable deuteron parameters.

From their study of  $^{40}\text{Ca}$  deuteron elastic scattering, which included deuteron polarization, Schwandt and Haeberli found that the energy dependence of the real well depth  $V$  is weak at low energies, whereas the imaginary well depth  $W$  has a strong energy dependence at low energies. The findings of this study agree with these results. They also found that even with the inclusion of a tensor force, the deuteron polarization was poorly fitted, particularly at low energies. A similarly poor fit to the polarization is obtained in this work and it must be concluded that there are still basic deficiencies in the Optical Model.



Two comments should be made regarding the inclusion of the spin-orbit potential in the analysis. First, the inclusion of the spin-orbit potential decreases  $\chi^2$  by about a factor of two, so that indeed a better fit to the data is obtained. Secondly, in Fig. 4.1, which shows the central parameters as a function of the real well depth  $V$ , only the range  $V = 90 - 130$  MeV is shown. It should be mentioned, however, that the range of  $V$  that was investigated stretched from 40 MeV to 150 MeV. If no spin-orbit potential was included, acceptable smooth sets of parameters, similar to the ones shown in Fig. 4.1, could be generated between 40 MeV and 90 MeV as well as between 130 MeV and 150 MeV. With the inclusion of the spin-orbit potential, however, the  $\chi^2$  in these regions increased sharply and no smooth trend could be detected in the parameters. In addition, the predicted polarization in these regions is exactly out of phase with the data. It was therefore concluded that on the basis of the elastic scattering data (including polarization) the deuteron real well depth should be of the order of 100 MeV, in accordance with the idea that the deuteron well depth be approximately the sum of the well depths for the proton and the neutron.

#### 4.3 DWBA Analysis

The DWBA calculations were carried out with the computer





program DWUCK<sup>\*</sup>. This program calculates the wavefunctions of the three particles participating in the reaction: the incident deuteron, the outgoing proton and the absorbed neutron. A total of 21 potential parameters are needed as input for such a calculation, nine each for the deuteron and the proton and three for the neutron. As explained before, the deuteron and proton parameters are obtained from an analysis of their respective elastic scattering data and are as such determined. There is uncertainty, however, about the neutron parameters.

The neutron wavefunction is that of a particle moving in a real central potential of Woods-Saxon form and a spin-orbit potential of the Thomas form. The depth of the central well is adjusted by the program so that the binding energy of the neutron in the well is equal to the experimental separation energy; the spin-orbit radius and diffuseness are the same as for the central well. Thus there are three undetermined parameters: the radius  $r$ , the diffuseness  $a$  and the depth  $V_{SO}$  of the spin-orbit potential. From a series of calculations the following observations were made:

- 1) changes in the three parameters did not affect the shape of the predicted angular distributions but did affect the magnitude of the cross section;

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<sup>\*</sup>Obtained from P. D. Kunz, University of Colorado.



- 2) an increase of 1% in the radius  $r$  caused an increase of about 3% in the cross section; an increase of 1% in the diffuseness  $a$  caused an increase of about 1% in the cross section. Thus  $r$  is three times more effective than  $a$  in this respect and there exists an ambiguity  $ra^n = C$  where  $C$  is a constant and  $n \approx 0.3$ . Removal of the spin-orbit potential caused a decrease in the cross section of about 3%;
- 3) the real well depth as adjusted by the program was mostly affected by the radius  $r$ . In addition, the well depths for the ground and first excited states were different for the initial set of parameters, but each well depth changed by a different amount for a change in the radius  $r$ .

It was then argued that since both the ground state and the first excited state are  $\ell = 1$  states, the real well depth should be the same for both states and that the difference in the binding energy (in the Shell Model this is referred to as the splitting of the  $j = 3/2$  and  $j = 1/2$  states) should be accounted for by the spin-orbit potential.

Since the radius  $r$  is the most effective of the parameters and because of the previously mentioned  $ra^n$  ambiguity, the spin-orbit strength and the diffuseness were fixed at 8 MeV and 0.65 fm respectively and  $r$  was adjusted until the real well depth



was the same for both states. Identical depths of 54.4 MeV were obtained for a radius  $r = 1.15$  fm. Thus the neutron parameters used in all final calculations are:

$$r = 1.15 \text{ fm}$$

$$a = 0.65 \text{ fm}$$

$$V_{SO} = 8 \text{ MeV}$$

Since  $^{49}\text{Ca}$  is unstable, the proton parameters belonging to  $^{48}\text{Ca}$  were used. These parameters have been determined by Marinov, Lee and Schiffer (Ma 66) from their proton elastic scattering data. The proton parameters are listed below:

$$V = 51.4 \text{ MeV}$$

$$W = 8.6 \text{ MeV}$$

$$V_{SO} = 7.5 \text{ MeV}$$

$$r_o = 1.24 \text{ fm}$$

$$r_i = 1.19 \text{ fm}$$

$$r_{SO} = 1.24 \text{ fm}$$

$$a_o = 0.63 \text{ fm}$$

$$a_i = 0.64 \text{ fm}$$

$$a_{SO} = 0.63 \text{ fm}$$

DWBA calculations were performed at each of the seven deuteron energies with both the proper and the average deuteron parameters; finite range and non-locality corrections were included in all calculations. The experimental and calculated angular distributions of the ground state are shown in Figs. 4.6 and 4.7, where the solid and dashed lines refer to the proper and average deuteron parameters respectively. The calculated angular distributions were normalized to fit at the largest experimental cross sections. In order to extend the range of this study, the ground state angular distribution at  $E_d = 7.0$  MeV, taken from the work of Belote et al. (Be 68), has been included. It is shown in Fig. 4.7 where the predicted



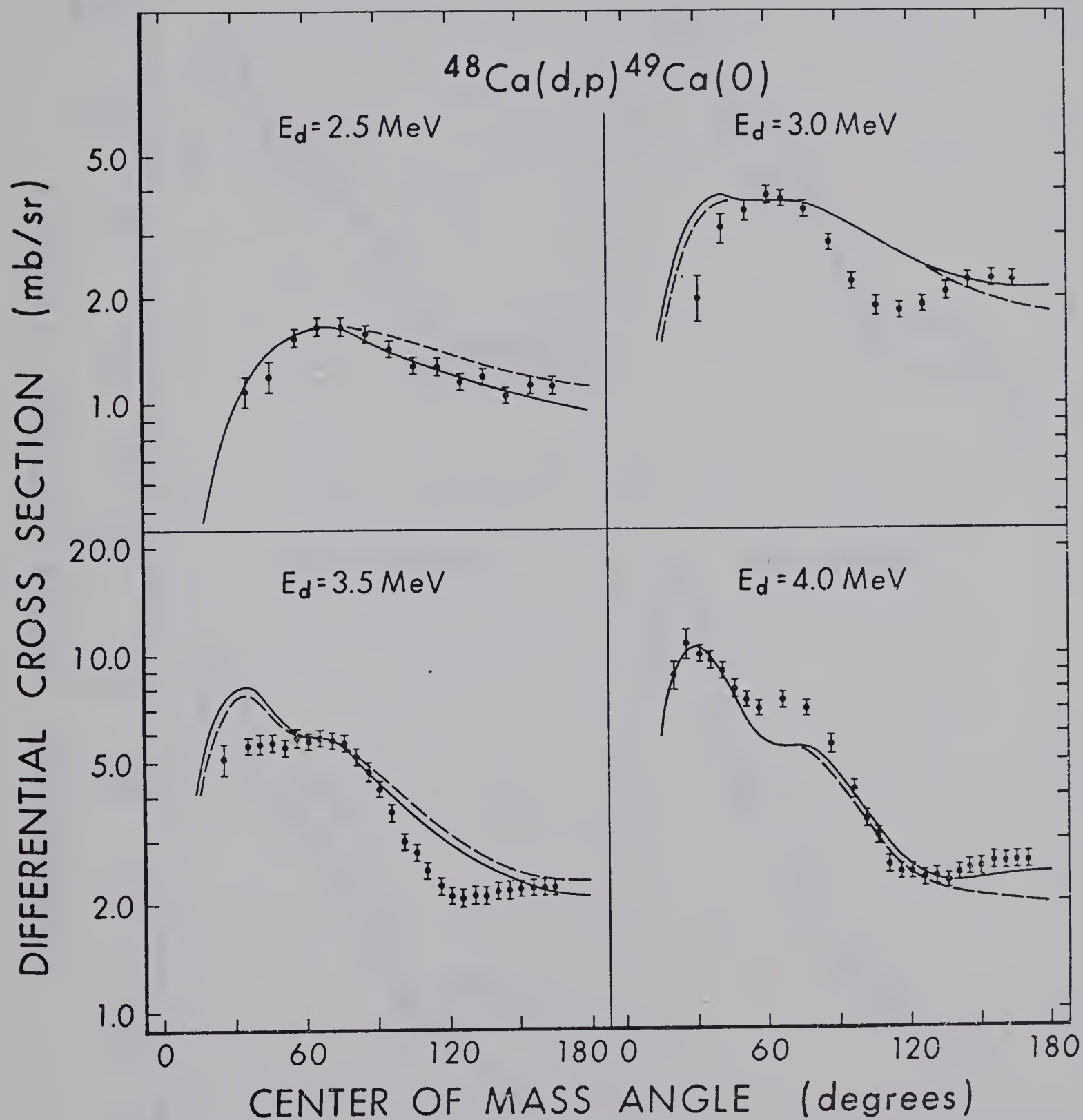
Figure 4.6 Angular distributions of the  $^{48}\text{Ca}(\text{d},\text{p})^{49}\text{Ca}(0)$  reaction.

Figure 4.7 Angular distributions of the  $^{48}\text{Ca}(\text{d},\text{p})^{49}\text{Ca}(0)$  reaction.

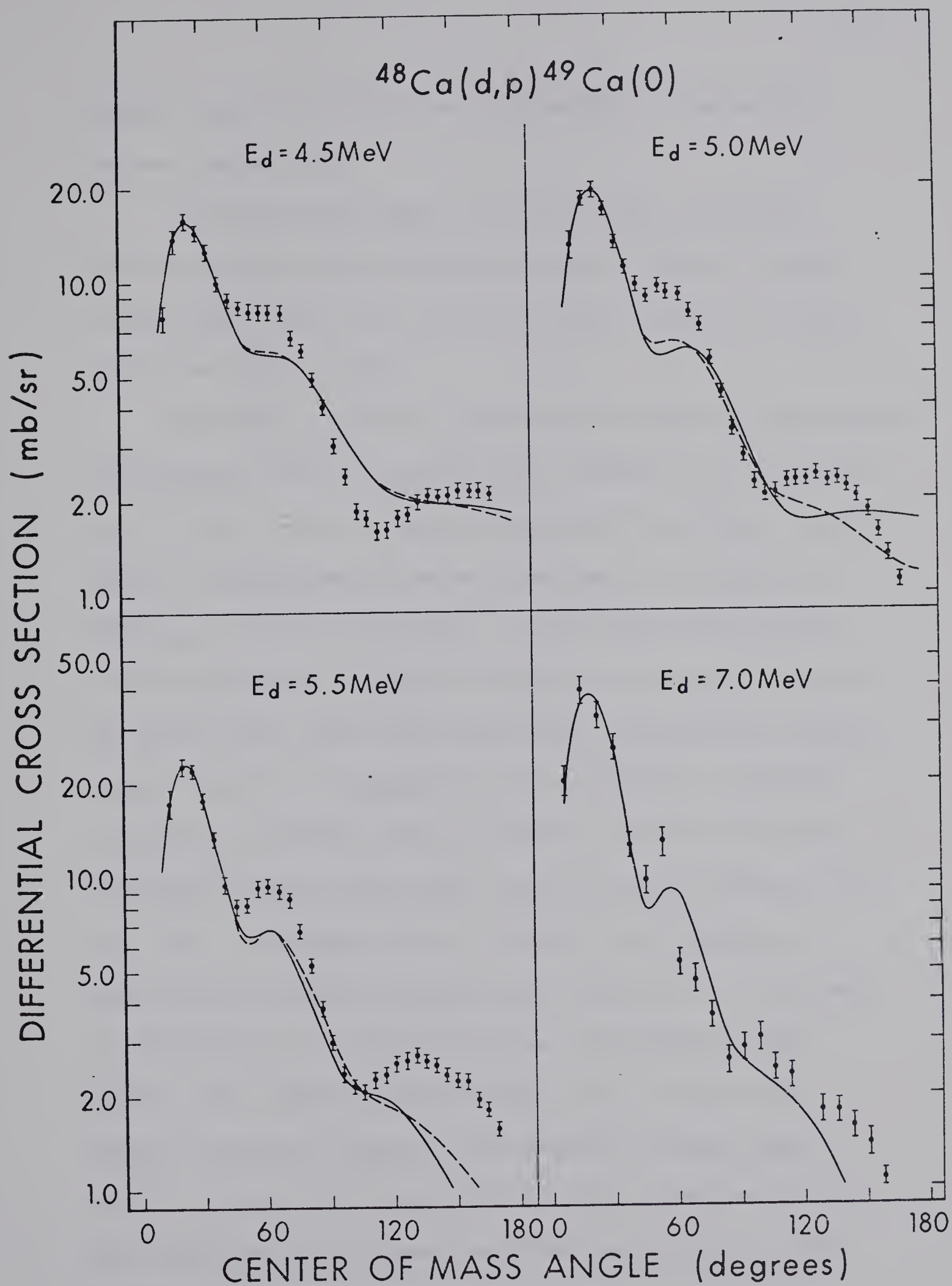
In both figures the lines are the DWBA predictions. The solid and dashed lines refer to the proper and average deuteron parameters respectively.













angular distribution has been calculated with the average deuteron parameters.

It is seen from Figs. 4.6 and 4.7 that the shapes for the two sets of parameters are almost identical, except at back angles and that no preference can be given to either set on the basis of shape.

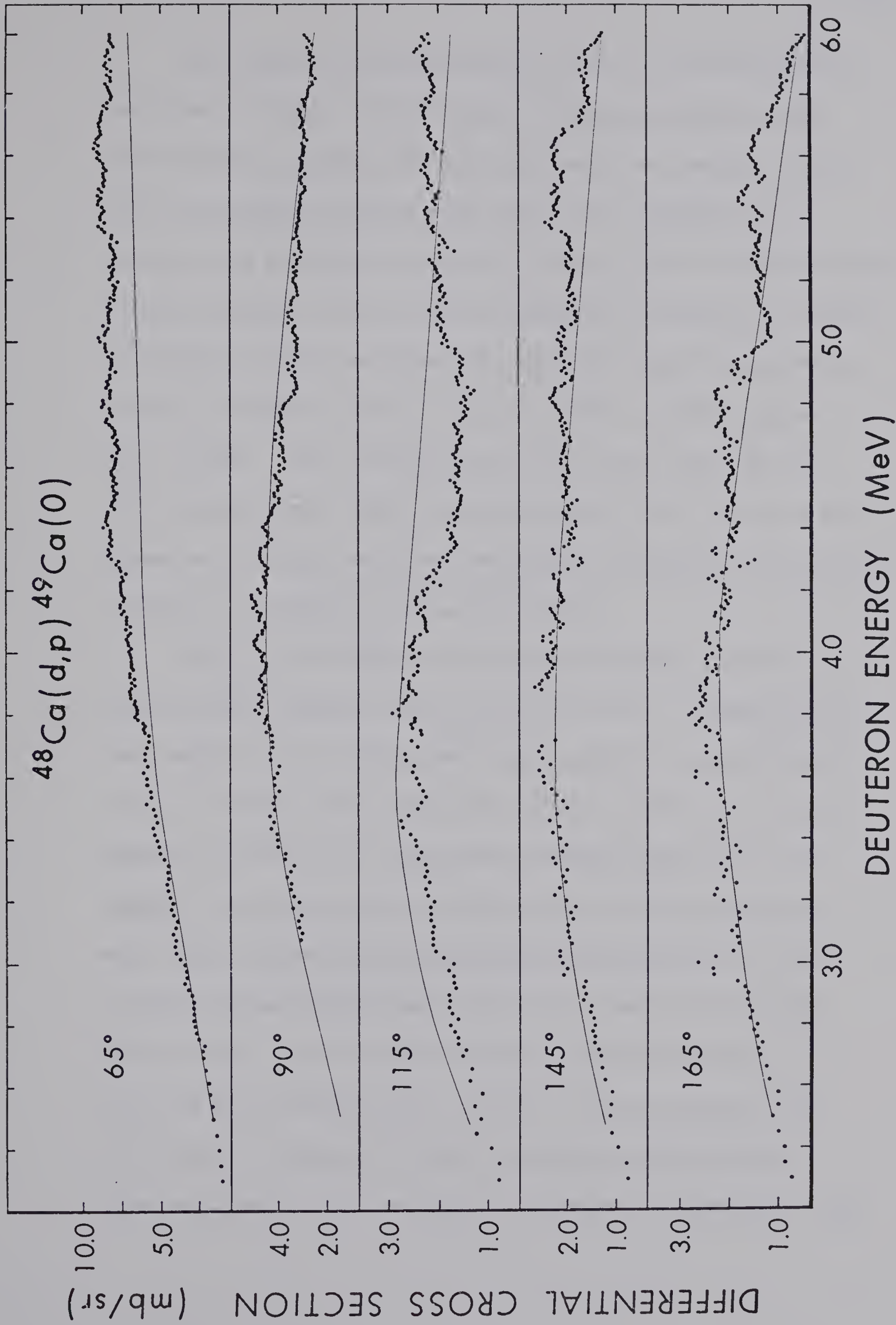
The DWBA calculations reproduce the ground state angular distributions well at forward angles, except at  $E_d = 3.0$  and  $E_d = 3.5$  MeV. At these energies DWBA still predicts a slight forward stripping peak, whereas this peak has disappeared below  $E_d = 4.0$  MeV in the data. At the back angles the fit to the ground state is poor but this is to be expected since the yield curves (Fig. 4.8) show large fluctuations at angles greater than  $90^\circ$ . It should be noted, however, that DWBA calculations with the average deuteron parameters do predict the overall shape of the yield curve at the back angles (see Fig. 4.8). The major failure of DWBA is the inability to reproduce the second stripping peak at about  $65^\circ$ . This peak is indicated by the calculations but the predicted cross sections are always too small (Figs. 4.6, 4.7 and 4.8). Several attempts to improve this situation through small changes in one or two parameters met with no success and it must therefore be concluded that DWBA theory fails in this respect.



Figure 4.8      Yield curves of the  $^{48}\text{Ca}(d,p)^{49}\text{Ca}(0)$  reaction. The solid lines are the DWBA predictions calculated from the average deuteron parameters.









The angular distributions for the first excited state are shown in Figs. 4.9 and 4.10. It is seen that the DWBA calculations reproduce the data extremely well except around  $65^\circ$  (the second stripping peak) where the predicted cross sections are slightly too small. Although again the differences in shape between the two sets of deuteron parameters are small, it appears in this case that the average deuteron parameters provide a slightly better fit to the data, particularly at  $E_d = 5.5$  MeV. The fluctuations in the yield curve of the first excited state (Fig. 4.11) are smaller than those in the ground state yield curve and the DWBA predictions for the yield curves are remarkably good at all angles.

Fig. 4.10 includes the predicted angular distribution for the first excited state at  $E_d = 7.0$  MeV. A comparison of the predictions for the ground state and first excited state at  $E_d = 7.0$  MeV clearly shows the effect of the total angular momentum (Le 64a), i.e., the first excited state ( $j = 1/2$ ) angular distribution has a "dip" at about  $100^\circ$ , whereas no such "dip" occurs in the case of the ground state ( $j = 3/2$ ). It should be mentioned that this "dip" associated with the first excited state has been observed experimentally at  $E_d = 7.0$  MeV by Kashy et al. (Ka 64). Unfortunately, they do not give a listing of their experimental differential cross sections so that no direct comparison is possible. Note

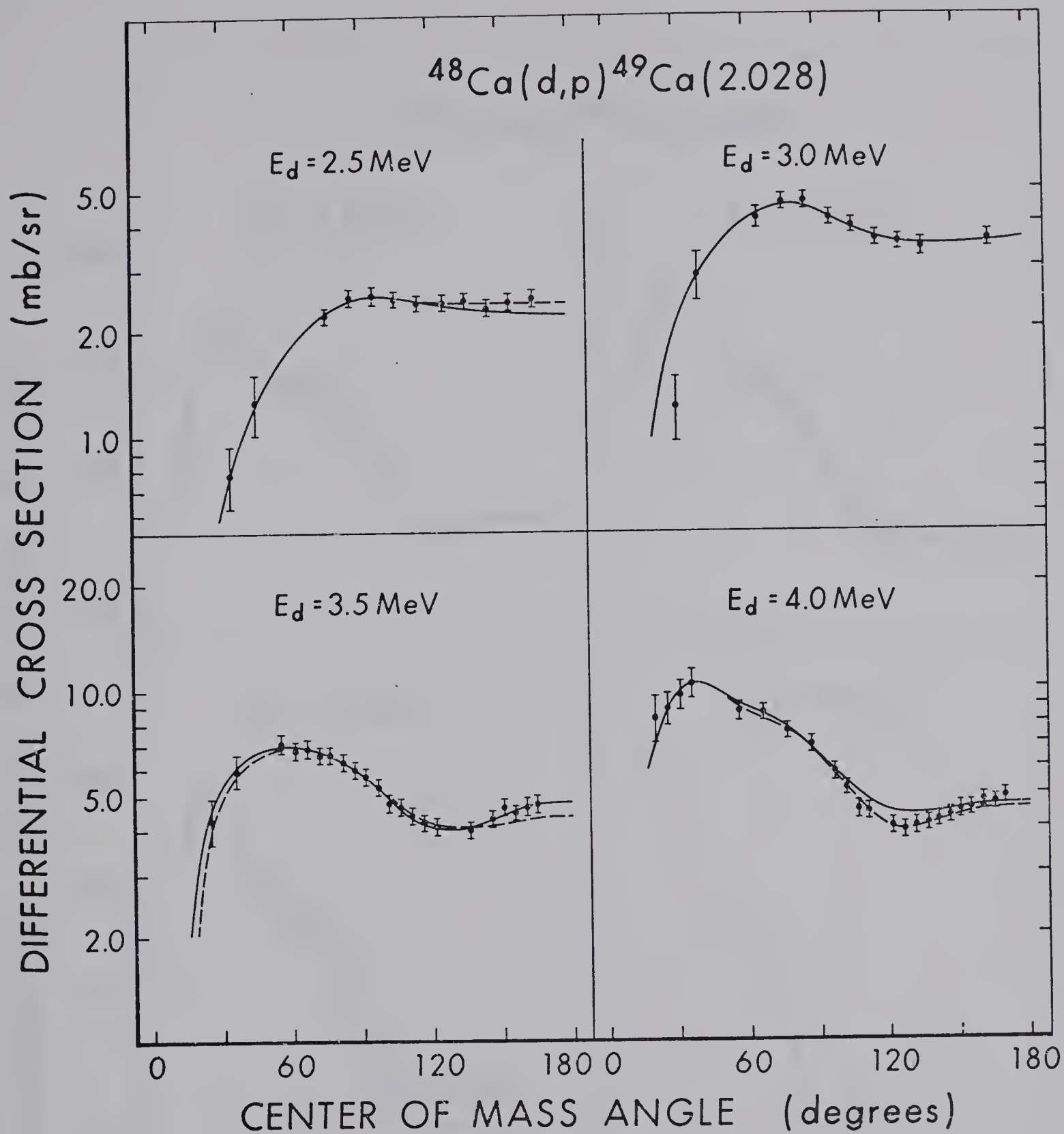


Figure 4.9 Angular distributions of the  $^{48}\text{Ca}(\text{d},\text{p})^{49}\text{Ca}(2.028)$  reaction.

Figure 4.10 Angular distributions of the  $^{48}\text{Ca}(\text{d},\text{p})^{49}\text{Ca}(2.028)$  reaction

In both figures the lines are the DWBA predictions. The solid and dashed lines refer to the proper and average parameters respectively.









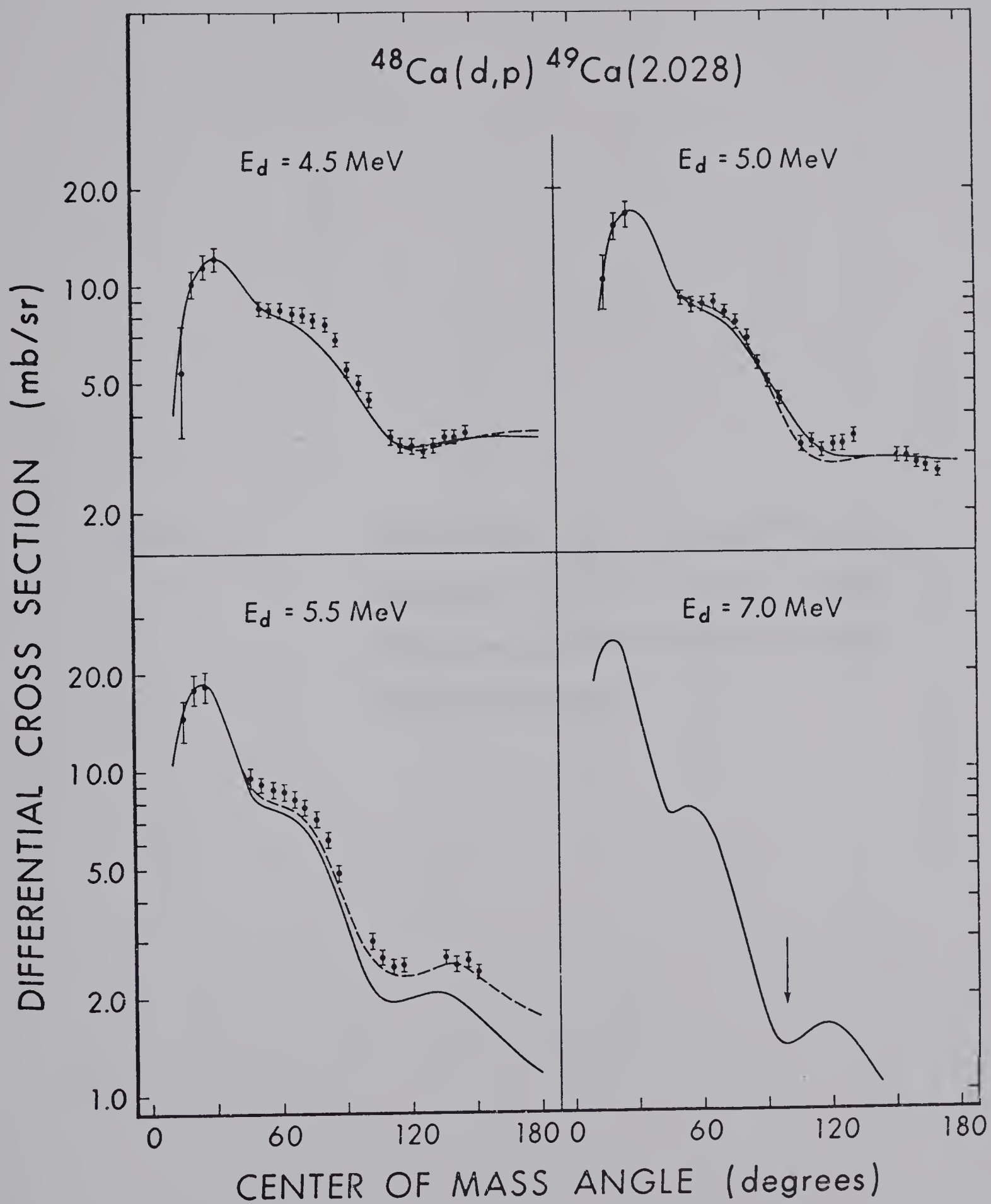
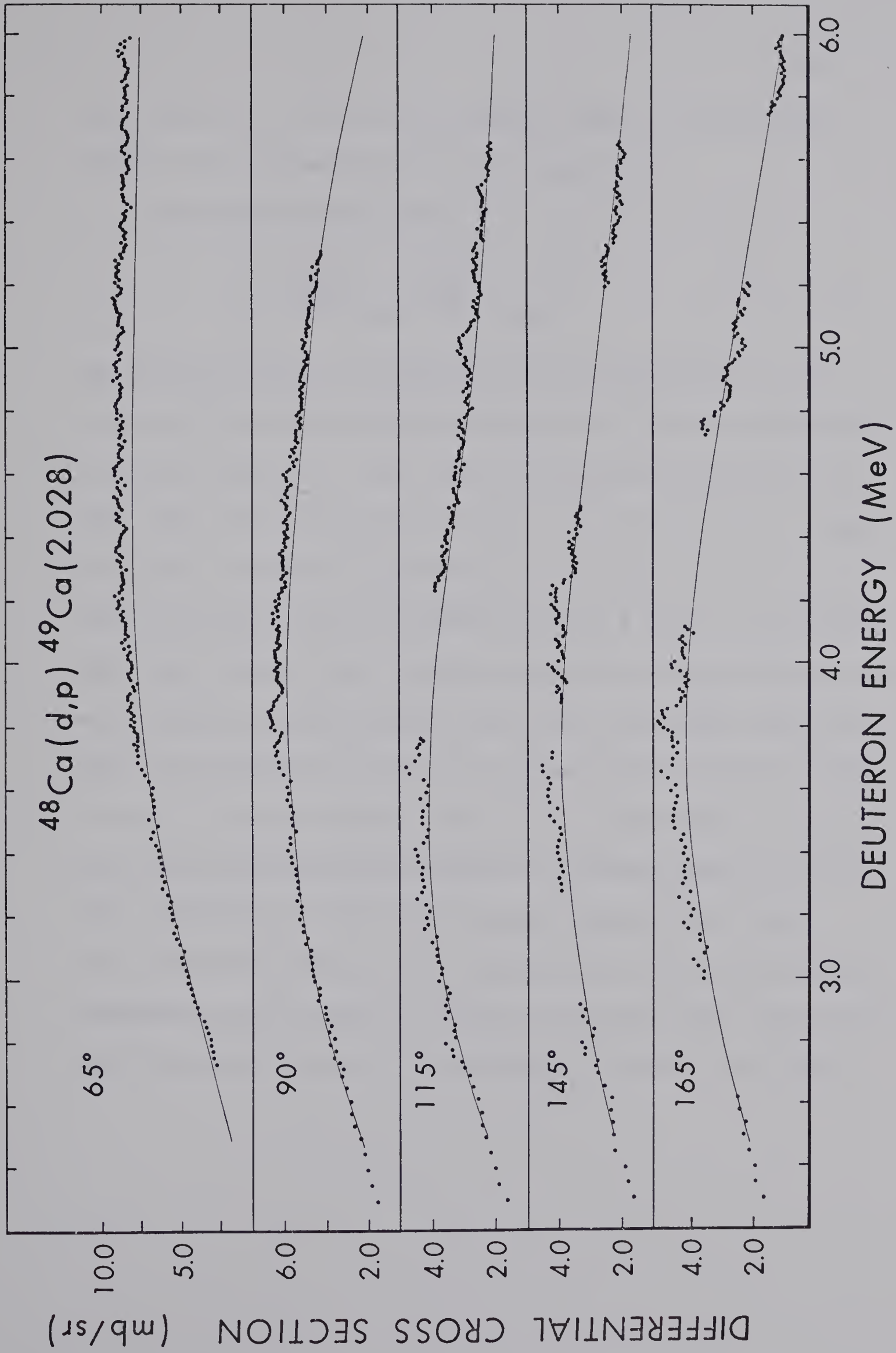




Figure 4.11 Yield curves of the  $^{48}\text{Ca}(\text{d},\text{p})^{49}\text{Ca}(2.028)$  reaction. The solid lines are the DWBA predictions calculated from the average deuteron parameters.







that even at  $E_d = 5.5$  MeV the predicted angular distributions exhibit the  $j$ -dependent behaviour to some extent.

The spectroscopic factor

$$S = \frac{d\sigma(\theta)}{d\Omega} \Big|_{\text{exp}} \left[ \frac{d\sigma(\theta)}{d\Omega} \Big|_{\text{calc}} \right]^{-1}$$

was obtained from the previously mentioned normalization. A listing of  $S$  for both states and both sets of deuteron parameters is given in Table 4.3. This table is presented graphically in Fig. 4.12, where the solid and open circles refer to the average and proper parameters respectively. It is seen from Fig. 4.12 that the proper deuteron parameters produce a spectroscopic factor that varies greatly with energy, whereas the average deuteron parameters produce a spectroscopic factor that is constant with energy. Since the spectroscopic factor is a measure of the extent to which a state is a single-particle state, it is independent of energy and it is clear that average deuteron parameters must be used in DWBA calculations. The energy-averaged spectroscopic factor (only the spectroscopic factors obtained from the average deuteron parameters were included) is 0.98 for the ground state and 1.06 for the first excited state. The spectroscopic factors are close to





TABLE 4.3  
SPECTROSCOPIC FACTORS

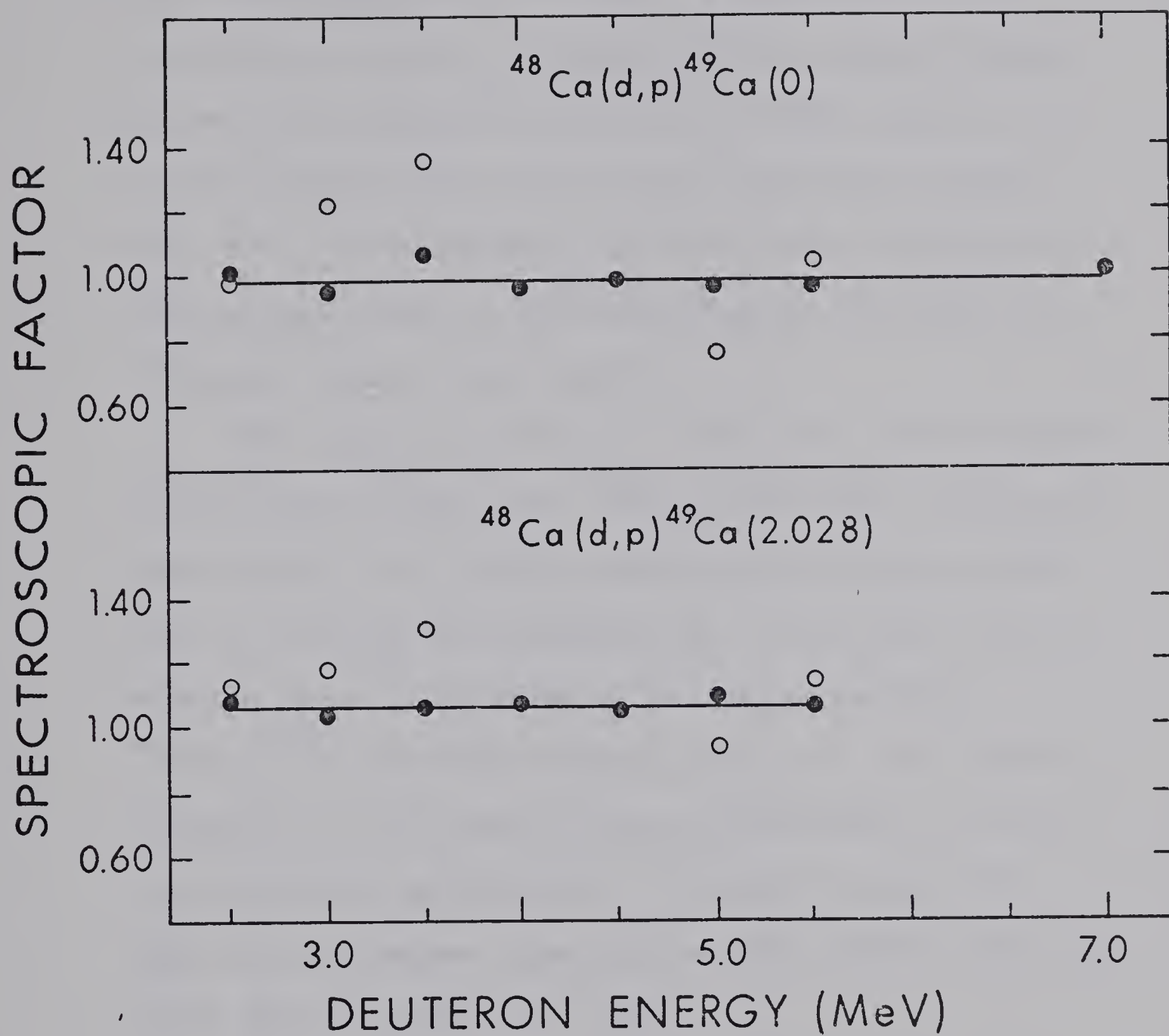
Deuteron Energy $E_d$	$^{48}\text{Ca}(d,p)^{49}\text{Ca}(0)$		$^{48}\text{Ca}(d,p)^{49}\text{Ca}(2.028)$	
	Proper d-Parameters	Average d-Parameters	Proper d-Parameters	Average d-Parameters
2.5	0.98	1.00	1.12	1.09
3.0	1.21	0.95	1.18	1.04
3.5	1.36	1.06	1.30	1.06
4.0	0.96	0.96	1.08	1.08
4.5	0.97	0.97	1.03	1.03
5.0	0.75	0.95	0.94	1.09
5.5	1.04	0.95	1.15	1.06
7.0		1.02		



Figure 4.12

The spectroscopic factors of the  $^{48}\text{Ca}(d,p)^{49}\text{Ca}(0)$  and  $^{48}\text{Ca}(d,p)^{49}\text{Ca}(2.028)$  reactions. The open and closed circles refer to the proper and average deuteron parameters respectively.







unity as anticipated, since the states in  $^{49}\text{Ca}$  were expected to be good single-particle states. A comparison of the spectroscopic factors, calculated with the captured neutron parameters as determined by Schiffer (Sc 69a), Becchetti and Greenlees (Be 69), Rosen (Ro 66) and this study is shown in Table 4.4. The spectroscopic factor has been estimated from the previously stated relationships between the radius, the diffuseness and the cross section.

The angular distributions of the vector analyzing power of the  $^{48}\text{Ca}(d,p)^{49}\text{Ca}(0)$  and  $^{48}\text{Ca}(d,p)^{49}\text{Ca}(2.028)$  reactions are shown in Fig. 4.13; the DWBA predictions are shown as solid lines. The predicted analyzing power is calculated from the deuteron vector polarization of the inverse reaction  $^{49}\text{Ca}(p,d)^{48}\text{Ca}$ , since the analyzing power in a (d,p) reaction is identical to the deuteron vector polarization in a (p,d) reaction (Bl 52, Sa 58, Bi 59). It should be noted that again the calculations reproduce the first excited state data better than the ground state data.

It has been shown by Huby et al. (Hu 58) that if spin-orbit potential effects are negligible, there exists a simple relationship between the analyzing power  $P_d^r$  of two transitions which have the same orbital angular momentum transfer and the same excitation energy. This relationship is





TABLE 4.4

SPECTROSCOPIC FACTORS FOR VARIOUS NEUTRON PARAMETER SETS

Source	Neutron Parameters			Spectroscopic Factor	
	$r(\text{fm})$	$a(\text{fm})$	$V_{\text{SO}}(\text{MeV})$	$^{49}\text{Ca}(0)$	$^{49}\text{Ca}(2.028)$
Present Work	1.15	0.65	8	0.98	1.06
Schiffer	1.07	0.65		1.19	1.28
Becchetti and Greenlees	1.17	0.75	6.2	0.78	0.85
Rosen	1.25	0.65	5.5	0.72	0.79

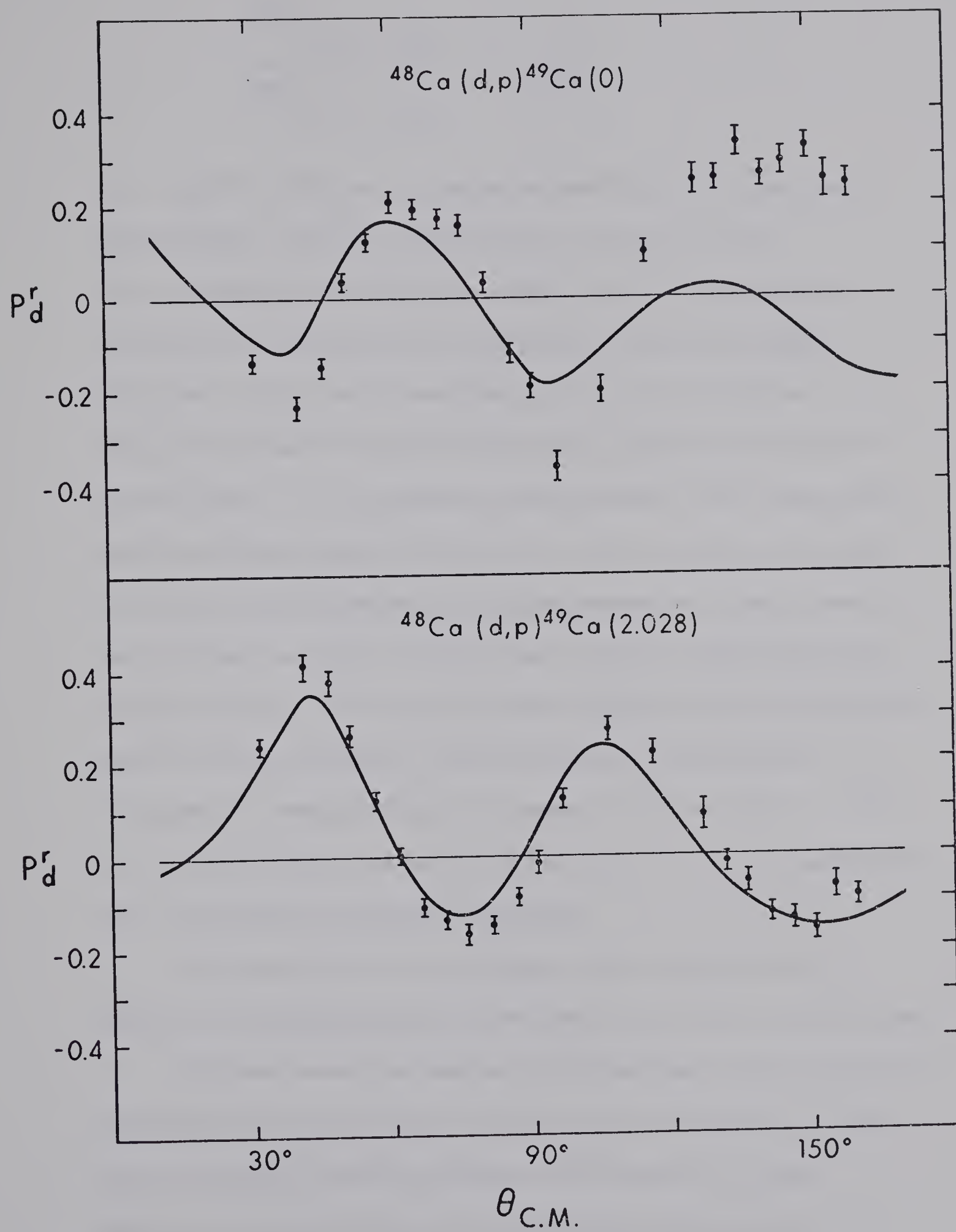


Figure 4.13

Angular distributions of the vector  
analyzing power of the  $^{48}\text{Ca}(\text{d},\text{p})^{49}\text{Ca}(0)$   
and  $^{48}\text{Ca}(\text{d},\text{p})^{49}\text{Ca}(2.028)$  reactions.

The solid lines are the DWBA predictions.







$$\frac{[P_d^r]_{j = \ell + 1/2}}{[P_d^r]_{j = \ell - 1/2}} = - \frac{\ell}{\ell + 1}$$

i.e.,  $P_d^r$  for different  $j$  states is exactly out of phase and the magnitude of  $P_d^r$  is different by a factor  $\ell/(\ell+1)$ . Yule and Haeberli (Yu 68) have shown that for intermediate nuclei and low energies the spin-orbit effects are small. Since both states under consideration are  $\ell = 1$  states, only the condition that the excitation energy be the same is not fulfilled. It is therefore expected that the relationship should hold approximately, and it is seen from Fig. 4.13 that the angular distributions of the two states are almost exactly out of phase and that the magnitude of  $P_d^r$  for the ground state is approximately half the magnitude of  $P_d^r$  for the first excited state at forward angles, in good agreement with theory. It is therefore concluded that the ground state has spin  $j = 3/2$  and that the first excited state has spin  $j = 1/2$ , in agreement, with the previous assignment (Le 64a).

The remainder of this chapter will deal with some aspects of the DWBA analysis that have not as yet been discussed.

In many cases the angular distributions of the elastically scattered deuteron and the reaction proton (or neutron in the (d,n) reaction) are not obtained simultaneously so that absolute cross sections must be determined independently for





the two sets of data. Since this procedure may introduce a relative error in the deuteron and proton cross sections, it was felt that it was of some interest to determine to what extent such a relative error would affect the spectroscopic factor. The deuteron cross sections were therefore increased by 5% and the usual Optical Model analysis was applied. The resulting deuteron parameters were then used in a DWBA calculation and the results compared to a standard calculation. It was found that the shape of the predicted proton angular distribution was unchanged but the cross section was increased by 5%. It is clear, therefore, that such a relative error is strongly transmitted to the spectroscopic factor. By the same token, if the cross sections for both sets of data share a common error, which can occur if the sets of data are taken simultaneously, this error is not transmitted to the spectroscopic factor.

The imaginary well depth  $W$  is the only deuteron parameter that shows a definite and strong energy dependence according to the Optical Model analysis. In order to verify that this energy dependence was needed in the DWBA calculations, the dependence of the spectroscopic factor on  $W$  was determined. It was found that a decrease of 1.3 MeV in  $W$  caused an increase of 5% in the spectroscopic factor. Since  $W \propto 1.3 E_d(\text{MeV})$ , it is clear that this energy dependence is indeed needed to obtain a constant spectroscopic factor.



## CHAPTER 5

### SUMMARY AND CONCLUSIONS

The results and conclusions of the study presented in this thesis will be summarized in this chapter.

#### (1) Optical Model

The Optical Model analysis method originated in the course of this study is described below for the two cases that have been investigated.

##### a) Cross section data only

The spin-orbit parameters  $V_{SO}$ ,  $r_{SO}$  and  $a_{SO}$  are fixed at acceptable values. A grid-search is performed over the cross section data in which  $V$  and  $a_i$  are gridded and  $r_o$ ,  $a_o$ ,  $W$  and  $r_i$  are searched simultaneously (a grid-search means that each grid step is followed by a search).

##### b) Cross section and polarization data

First the spin-orbit parameters are determined from a grid-search over the cross section data in which  $a_i$ ,  $V_{SO}$ ,  $r_{SO}$  and  $a_{SO}$  are gridded and  $r_o$ ,  $a_o$ ,  $W$  and  $r_i$  are searched simultaneously. The real well depth  $V$  is held fixed at about 100 MeV and the spin-orbit parameters are selected on the basis of a visual fit



to the polarization data. The procedure outlined for case a) is then followed with these spin-orbit parameters.

Two comments must be made regarding the results of this analysis method:

- (1) the central parameters and  $\chi^2$  vary smoothly over the range of  $V$  that is gridded (for deuterons this range is nominally from about 90 MeV to about 130 MeV). In addition  $\chi^2$  is virtually constant over this range and cannot determine the optimum real well depth so that an external criterion (such as a DWBA calculation) is needed for this determination.
  - (2) Because of the visual fit to the polarization data, the spin-orbit parameters are only determined nominally.
- The above method was developed from the following observations:

- (1) that the fit to the polarization data is poor so that the  $\chi^2$  for the polarization data cannot be used as a criterion in a search routine and this data must be fitted visually.
- (2) that only four central parameters ( $r_o$ ,  $a_o$ ,  $W$  and  $r_i$ ) should be searched simultaneously.
- (3) that a search of these central parameters over the cross section data establishes the basically correct shape for the polarization.



(4) that the spin-orbit parameters affect the fit to the cross section data very little.

Deuteron parameters were determined with the above method at seven energies between 2.5 MeV and 5.5 MeV. The parameters are quite smooth over the energy range, as expected from the smooth behaviour of the elastic scattering yield curve, and average parameters for the energy range were determined. Only the imaginary well depth shows an energy dependence. This energy dependence is given by  $W = (1.3 E(\text{MeV}) + 3.3) \text{ MeV}$  for the range  $E_d = 2.5 - 5.5 \text{ MeV}$ .

The Optical Model analysis clearly shows the central parameter ambiguities but it is difficult to determine what combination of parameters constitutes an ambiguity or what correlations exist between the parameters. It would be of interest to determine these correlations since as yet no generalized set of deuteron parameters exists. For example, the  $^{40}\text{Ca}$  parameters, determined by Schwandt and Haeberli (Sc 69) do not fit the  $^{48}\text{Ca}$  elastic scattering.

The Optical Model is deficient in that it cannot fit the deuteron polarization properly. However, the Optical Model does show, on the basis of the combined cross section and polarization data, that the real well depth for the deuteron must be in the range of 90 MeV to 130 MeV, i.e., approximately 100 MeV, since parameter sets around 50 MeV or around 150 MeV do not give acceptable fits to the cross section and polarization data.







## (2) DWBA

It is important that the (d,d) and (d,p) angular distributions be obtained simultaneously since a relative error in the cross sections of the two sets of data is strongly transmitted to the spectroscopic factor through the deuteron Optical Model parameters.

Although the shapes of the angular distributions predicted from the proper and average deuteron parameters are nearly the same, the cross sections differ widely and average deuteron parameters had to be used in order to obtain a constant spectroscopic factor over the energy range. Since even in this case, where the deuteron elastic scattering yield curve is very smooth, the proper deuteron parameters cannot generate a constant spectroscopic factor, it must be concluded that, in general, average deuteron parameters must be used in DWBA calculations.

The radius of the neutron well was determined from the requirement that the neutron real well depth be the same for both the ground and first excited state and that the spin-orbit potential account for the difference in the binding energy of the two states. Equal well depths of 54.4 MeV were obtained for a neutron well radius of 1.15 fm, with the diffuseness  $a = 0.65$  fm and the spin-orbit well depth  $V_{SO} = 8$  MeV.

The deuteron, proton and neutron parameters used in this study are listed below.



(deuteron parameters)

$$\begin{array}{lll}
 V = 95.0 \text{ MeV} & W = (1.3 E(\text{MeV}) + 3.3) \text{ MeV} & V_{\text{SO}} = 10.0 \text{ MeV} \\
 r_o = 1.17 \text{ fm} & r_i = 1.48 \text{ fm} & r_{\text{SO}} = 0.91 \text{ fm} \\
 a_o = 0.71 \text{ fm} & a_i = 0.66 \text{ fm} & a_{\text{SO}} = 0.60 \text{ fm}
 \end{array}$$

(proton parameters)

$$\begin{array}{lll}
 V = 51.4 \text{ MeV} & W = 8.6 \text{ MeV} & V_{\text{SO}} = 7.5 \text{ MeV} \\
 r_o = 1.24 \text{ fm} & r_i = 1.19 \text{ fm} & r_{\text{SO}} = 1.24 \text{ fm} \\
 a_o = 0.63 \text{ fm} & a_i = 0.64 \text{ fm} & a_{\text{SO}} = 0.63 \text{ fm}
 \end{array}$$

(neutron parameters)

$$\begin{array}{l}
 r_o = 1.15 \text{ fm} \\
 a_o = 0.65 \text{ fm} \\
 V_{\text{SO}} = 8 \text{ MeV}
 \end{array}$$

The spectroscopic factor, obtained from the above parameters, is  $0.98 \pm 0.08$  for the ground state and  $1.06 \pm 0.08$  for the first excited state, where the error is the experimental error. These spectroscopic factors are close to unity, as anticipated, but it is to be noted that they are very sensitive to the neutron well radius and, to a lesser extent, the diffuseness. Thus, if neutron parameters determined by other authors are used, the spectroscopic factors are 20 - 30% higher or lower. It is suggested therefore that this method of determining neutron parameters be investigated in other nuclei.



The vector analyzing power of the (d,p) reactions was well reproduced by the DWBA calculations, particularly in the case of the first excited state, and the previous assignment of the j-values of the ground and first excited state, based on the empirical j-dependence of the cross section, was confirmed. It must be concluded, however, that although the spin-orbit parameters are needed to fit the polarization data, both the Optical Model and the DWBA theory show a rather low sensitivity to these parameters so that they can only be determined nominally.

Calculations at  $E_d = 7.0$  MeV showed the characteristic "dip" for the  $j = 1/2$  first excited state whereas no such dip occurred for the  $j = 3/2$  ground state. It was therefore concluded that DWBA theory does reproduce the observed j-dependence of the angular distributions.

The DWBA calculations fit the forward angles of the ground state angular distributions well, except around the second stripping peak. The fit to the backward angles is poor, but this is to be expected, since the yield curves show large fluctuations at angles greater than  $90^\circ$ . It should be noted, however, that even at the backward angles, the overall shape of the ground state yield curve is well predicted by the DWBA calculations.

In the case of the first excited state the DWBA calculations reproduce the experimental angular distributions almost perfectly at all angles and over the entire energy



range, and the yield curves, which have quite small fluctuations, are remarkably well predicted by the DWBA calculations.

In view of the above findings, it is concluded that if fluctuations are small, and provided energy-averaged deuteron parameters are used, DWBA theory gives an excellent representation of the direct reaction process, above as well as below the Coulomb barrier and that reliable nuclear structure information can be extracted from both energy regions.





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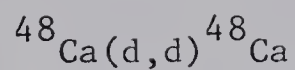
## APPENDIX A

### TABLES OF DIFFERENTIAL CROSS SECTIONS AND ANALYZING POWER

In this appendix the differential cross sections and the analyzing power for the angular distributions are listed. The  $^{48}\text{Ca}(d,d)^{48}\text{Ca}$  differential cross sections have an experimental error of 2.5% for angles of  $65^\circ$  and greater; for angles smaller than  $65^\circ$  the error is 5%. The  $^{48}\text{Ca}(d,p)^{49}\text{Ca}(0)$  and  $^{48}\text{Ca}(d,p)^{49}\text{Ca}(2.028)$  differential cross sections have an experimental error of 5%, except at forward angles where the percentage error is indicated by the figure in brackets. The error listed for the analyzing power is purely statistical.

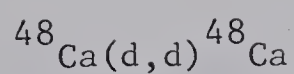
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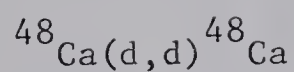
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55.0	57.0	1820	
60.0	62.1		899
65.0	67.2	962	633
75.0	77.3	579	376
85.0	87.4	384	247
95.0	97.4	273	175
105.0	107.3	205	132
115.0	117.2	161	107
125.0	127.0	133	88.0
135.0	136.7	114	76.8
145.0	146.4	101	68.3
155.0	156.0	93.8	62.9
165.0	165.6	88.2	58.2





Lab. Angle (degrees)	C.M. Angle (degrees)	$E_d = 3.5 \text{ MeV}$	$E_d = 4.0 \text{ MeV}$
		$\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega}_{\text{C.M.}}$ (mb/sr)	$\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega}_{\text{C.M.}}$ (mb/sr)
45.0	46.7		1330
50.0	51.9		852
55.0	57.0	837	583
65.0	67.2	430	298
70.0	72.3	312	
75.0	77.3	243	166
80.0	82.4	193	
85.0	87.4	157	108
90.0	92.4	130	
95.0	97.4	114	78.8
100.0	102.4	98.7	70.1
105.0	107.3	87.4	62.2
110.0	112.3	78.9	56.2
115.0	117.2	71.8	50.9
120.0	122.1	65.2	46.8
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155.0	156.0	41.0	25.1
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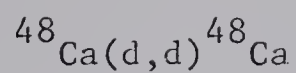




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45.0	46.7	963	722
50.0	51.9	615	460
55.0	57.0	416	303
60.0	62.1	291	214
65.0	67.2	205	152
70.0	72.3	150	112
75.0	77.3	112	83.2
80.0	82.4	90.7	67.3
85.0	87.4	75.4	56.6
90.0	92.4	64.8	48.6
95.0	97.4	56.4	42.6
100.0	102.4	51.0	37.7
105.0	107.3	44.9	33.6
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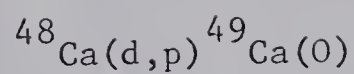






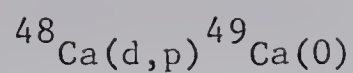
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55.0	57.0	240
60.0	62.1	162
65.0	67.2	113
70.0	72.3	83.3
75.0	77.3	62.7
80.0	82.4	51.2
85.0	87.4	42.5
90.0	92.4	36.5
95.0	97.4	32.7
100.0	102.4	29.2
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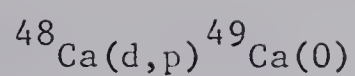
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45.0	45.9	1.21 (10)	
50.0	51.0		3.47
55.0	56.1	1.56	
60.0	61.1		3.96
65.0	66.2	1.67	3.86
75.0	76.2	1.68	3.55
85.0	86.3	1.58	2.84
95.0	96.3	1.44	2.21
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115.0	116.2	1.28	1.83
125.0	126.1	1.16	1.92
135.0	135.9	1.20	2.09
145.0	145.7	1.07	2.25
155.0	155.5	1.14	2.25
165.0	165.3	1.14	2.24





Lab. Angle (degrees)	C.M. Angle (degrees)	$E_d = 3.5 \text{ MeV}$	$E_d = 4.0 \text{ MeV}$
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25.0	25.5	5.15 (10)	10.8 (10)
30.0	30.6		10.2
35.0	35.7	5.60	9.70
40.0	40.8	5.66	9.10
45.0	45.9	5.69	8.04
50.0	51.0	5.48	7.46
55.0	56.1	5.85	7.02
60.0	61.1	5.67	
65.0	66.2	5.89	7.49
70.0	71.2	5.77	
75.0	76.2	5.68	7.07
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85.0	86.3	4.68	5.66
90.0	91.3	4.20	
95.0	96.3	3.60	4.19
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115.0	116.2	2.23	2.47
120.0	121.1	2.10	2.44
125.0	126.1	2.07	2.35
130.0	131.0	2.12	2.39
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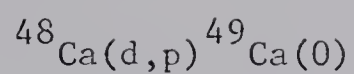




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25.0	25.5	15.9	19.2
30.0	30.6	14.4	16.6
35.0	35.7	12.7	13.1
40.0	40.8	10.1	10.8
45.0	45.9	8.90	9.46
50.0	51.0	8.28	8.68
55.0	56.1	8.12	9.42
60.0	61.1	8.10	8.98
65.0	66.2	8.09	8.82
70.0	71.2	7.98	7.81
75.0	76.2	6.65	7.10
80.0	81.3	6.04	5.52
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90.0	91.3	3.94	3.30
95.0	96.3	3.02	2.71
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105.0	106.2	1.86	2.04
110.0	111.2	1.77	2.09
115.0	116.2	1.59	2.25
120.0	121.1	1.61	2.24
125.0	126.1	1.73	2.28
130.0	131.0	1.78	2.38
135.0	135.9	1.97	2.23
140.0	140.8	2.06	2.31
145.0	145.7	2.05	2.15
150.0	150.6	2.06	2.01
155.0	155.5	2.13	1.82
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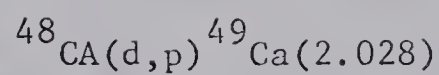






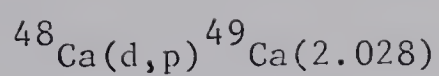
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20.0	20.4	22.7
25.0	25.5	21.9
30.0	30.6	17.7
35.0	35.7	13.3
40.0	40.8	9.44
45.0	45.9	8.13
50.0	51.0	8.20
55.0	56.1	9.22
60.0	61.1	9.42
65.0	66.2	9.03
70.0	71.2	8.44
75.0	76.2	6.70
80.0	81.3	5.27
85.0	86.3	3.83
90.0	91.3	2.95
95.0	96.3	2.35
100.0	101.3	2.16
105.0	106.2	2.04
110.0	111.2	2.23
115.0	116.2	2.33
120.0	121.1	2.53
125.0	126.1	2.57
130.0	131.0	2.70
135.0	135.9	2.56
140.0	140.8	2.48
145.0	145.7	2.32
150.0	150.6	2.22
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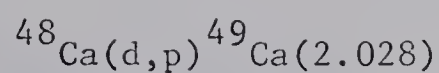
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30.0	30.8		1.20 (20)
35.0	35.9	0.78 (20)	
40.0	41.0		2.85 (15)
45.0	46.1	1.26 (20)	
65.0	66.4		4.12
75.0	76.5	2.21	4.54
85.0	86.5	2.48	4.56
95.0	96.5	2.52	4.10
105.0	106.5	2.46	3.87
115.0	116.4	2.40	3.62
125.0	126.3	2.42	3.49
135.0	136.1	2.43	3.37
145.0	145.9	2.31	
155.0	155.6	2.41	
165.0	165.4	2.47	3.61





Lab. Angle (degrees)	C.M. Angle (degrees)	$E_d = 3.5 \text{ MeV}$	$E_d = 4.0 \text{ MeV}$
		$\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega}_{\text{C.M.}}$ (mb/sr)	$\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega}_{\text{C.M.}}$ (mb/sr)
20.0	20.5		8.23 (10)
25.0	25.6	4.23 (15)	8.70 (10)
30.0	30.8		9.47 (10)
35.0	35.9	5.93 (10)	10.3 (10)
55.0	56.3	7.07	8.51
60.0	61.3	6.72	
65.0	66.4	6.77	8.51
70.0	71.4	6.52	
75.0	76.5	6.51	7.52
80.0	81.5	6.22	
85.0	86.5	5.90	6.79
90.0	91.5	5.64	
95.0	96.5	5.24	5.75
100.0	101.5	4.70	5.14
105.0	106.5	4.61	4.45
110.0	111.4	4.36	4.39
115.0	116.4	4.22	
120.0	121.3	4.05	3.95
125.0	126.3		3.91
130.0	131.2		4.05
135.0	136.1	3.95	4.11
140.0	141.0		4.22
145.0	145.9	4.27	4.33
150.0	150.8	4.60	4.47
155.0	155.6	4.38	4.53
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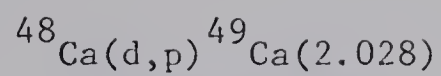




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15.0	15.4	5.44 (20)	10.5 (20)
20.0	20.5	10.2 (10)	15.4 (10)
25.0	25.6	11.5 (10)	16.6 (10)
30.0	30.8	12.2 (10)	
50.0	51.2	8.55	9.18
55.0	56.3	8.53	8.72
60.0	61.3	8.44	8.79
65.0	66.4	8.21	8.92
70.0	71.4	8.15	8.41
75.0	76.5	7.79	7.75
80.0	81.5	7.59	7.00
85.0	86.5	6.84	5.78
90.0	91.5	5.59	5.08
95.0	96.5	5.02	4.50
100.0	101.5	4.45	
105.0	106.5		3.26
110.0	111.4	3.44	3.32
115.0	116.4	3.25	3.11
120.0	121.3	3.20	3.26
125.0	126.3	3.11	3.25
130.0	131.2	3.27	3.47
135.0	136.1	3.42	
140.0	141.0	3.41	
145.0	145.9	3.56	
150.0	150.8		2.96
155.0	155.6		3.01
160.0	160.5		2.86
165.0	165.4		2.77
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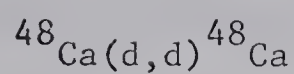






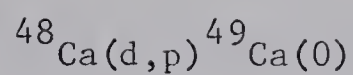
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		$\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega}_{\text{C.M.}}$ (mb/sr)	
15.0	15.4	14.5	(15)
20.0	20.5	17.9	(10)
25.0	25.6	18.3	(10)
45.0	46.1	9.64	
50.0	51.2	9.08	
55.0	56.3	8.77	
60.0	61.3	8.63	
65.0	66.4	8.24	
70.0	71.4	7.75	
75.0	76.5	7.09	
80.0	81.5	6.17	
85.0	86.5	4.88	
100.0	101.5	2.99	
105.0	106.5	2.67	
110.0	111.4	2.51	
115.0	116.4	2.55	
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145.0	145.9	2.61	
150.0	150.8	2.40	





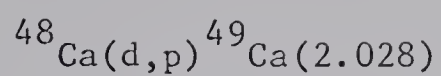
Lab. Angle (degrees)	C.M. Angle (degrees)	$E_d = 5.5 \text{ MeV}$	
		$P_d$	
30.7	31.9	0.001	$\pm 0.001$
40.3	41.8	0.013	$\pm 0.002$
45.6	47.3	0.012	$\pm 0.002$
50.1	52.0	0.003	$\pm 0.002$
55.2	57.2	-0.002	$\pm 0.002$
60.1	62.2	0.006	$\pm 0.003$
65.1	67.3	-0.023	$\pm 0.003$
70.1	72.4	0.065	$\pm 0.005$
74.7	77.0	0.111	$\pm 0.009$
80.0	82.4	0.144	$\pm 0.010$
85.4	87.8	0.166	$\pm 0.011$
90.0	92.4	0.139	$\pm 0.010$
95.0	97.4	0.095	$\pm 0.008$
100.0	102.4	0.032	$\pm 0.009$
104.9	107.3	-0.013	$\pm 0.007$
109.9	112.2	-0.060	$\pm 0.010$
114.5	116.7	-0.096	$\pm 0.010$
119.5	121.6	-0.103	$\pm 0.015$
125.2	127.2	-0.022	$\pm 0.013$
130.2	132.1	0.005	$\pm 0.009$
134.8	136.5	0.070	$\pm 0.011$
139.8	141.3	0.150	$\pm 0.013$
144.7	146.1	0.222	$\pm 0.017$
149.6	150.8	0.305	$\pm 0.021$
154.2	155.2	0.328	$\pm 0.025$
159.1	159.9	0.321	$\pm 0.022$





Lab. Angle (degrees)	C.M. Angle (degrees)	$E_d = 5.5 \text{ MeV}$	
		$P_d^r$	
30.7	31.4	-0.139	$\pm 0.015$
40.3	41.1	-0.236	$\pm 0.020$
45.6	46.5	-0.149	$\pm 0.019$
50.1	51.2	0.036	$\pm 0.015$
55.2	56.3	0.120	$\pm 0.015$
60.1	61.3	0.203	$\pm 0.020$
65.1	66.3	0.190	$\pm 0.018$
70.1	71.4	0.171	$\pm 0.017$
74.7	76.0	0.154	$\pm 0.020$
80.0	81.3	0.031	$\pm 0.017$
85.4	86.8	-0.117	$\pm 0.020$
89.6	91.0	-0.192	$\pm 0.029$
95.0	96.4	-0.366	$\pm 0.030$
104.9	106.2	-0.199	$\pm 0.024$
114.5	115.8	0.094	$\pm 0.025$
125.2	126.4	0.251	$\pm 0.032$
130.2	131.3	0.254	$\pm 0.025$
134.8	135.8	0.331	$\pm 0.030$
139.8	140.7	0.261	$\pm 0.023$
144.7	145.5	0.292	$\pm 0.030$
149.6	150.3	0.223	$\pm 0.023$
154.2	154.8	0.251	$\pm 0.036$
159.1	159.5	0.237	$\pm 0.028$





Lab. Angle (degrees)	C.M. Angle (degrees)	$E_d = 5.5 \text{ MeV}$	
		$p_d^r$	
30.7	31.5	0.238	$\pm 0.017$
40.3	41.3	0.410	$\pm 0.025$
45.6	46.7	0.374	$\pm 0.025$
50.1	51.3	0.260	$\pm 0.020$
55.2	56.5	0.121	$\pm 0.014$
60.1	61.5	0.000	$\pm 0.015$
65.1	66.5	-0.110	$\pm 0.013$
70.1	71.6	-0.136	$\pm 0.014$
74.7	76.2	-0.170	$\pm 0.018$
80.0	81.5	-0.149	$\pm 0.016$
85.4	87.0	-0.092	$\pm 0.016$
89.6	91.2	-0.016	$\pm 0.022$
95.0	96.6	0.121	$\pm 0.017$
104.9	106.4	0.272	$\pm 0.023$
114.5	116.0	0.220	$\pm 0.025$
125.2	126.5	0.084	$\pm 0.027$
130.2	131.4	-0.017	$\pm 0.017$
134.8	135.9	-0.062	$\pm 0.021$
139.8	140.8	-0.125	$\pm 0.016$
144.7	145.6	-0.137	$\pm 0.024$
149.6	150.4	-0.166	$\pm 0.017$
154.2	154.9	-0.068	$\pm 0.028$
159.1	159.6	-0.091	$\pm 0.021$





## APPENDIX B

Yield Curves

The yield curves, particularly those of the ground state, show significant fluctuations which are outside the statistical errors. These fluctuations may arise from a variety of sources: compound nucleus, analogue resonances, threshold effects, etc. The compound nucleus fluctuations are expected to be very narrow, 6 - 9 KeV, on the basis of Hauser-Feshbach calculations. Thus, in order to perform a fluctuation analysis, the energy steps in the yield curve should be of the order of 3 - 4 KeV, whereas in this case the steps were 10 KeV.

At the present time, no satisfactory explanation can be given for most of the wider fluctuations in the yield curves, but it appears that the sharp dip at  $E_d = 4.27$  MeV in the ground state yield curve at  $165^\circ$  may be considered as an effect of the (d,n) and (d,p) coupling. This consideration is based on the fact that the coupling effect would be seen at a deuteron energy  $E_p^{\text{res}} + B_d$ , where  $E_p^{\text{res}}$  is the proton elastic scattering resonance energy for the analogue state of  $^{49}\text{Ca}(0)$  in  $^{49}\text{Sc}$  and  $B_d$  is the deuteron binding energy (Mo 66). Since  $E_p^{\text{res}} = 1.96$  MeV (Jo 66) and  $B_d = 2.22$  MeV, the coupling effect should be observed at  $E_d = 4.18$  MeV, which is close to the observed dip in the yield curve.



### Captured Neutron Parameters

In a recent paper, Sharpey-Schafer (Sh 68) has used the reformulated Optical Model of Greenlees, Pyle and Tang (Gr 68) to determine the captured neutron parameters. In this model the following relation exists:

$$7\pi^2 a_n^2 = 5\langle r^2 \rangle_R - 3r_n^2 A^{1/3} \quad \text{B.1}$$

where  $a_n$  is the neutron well diffuseness  
 $r_n$  is the neutron well radius  
 $\langle r^2 \rangle_R$  is the mean square radius of the real part of the Optical Model potential determined from elastic scattering (which can be determined to  $\pm 4\%$  (Sh 68)).

Since the mean square radius of  $^{58}\text{Ni}$  is  $3.92 \pm 0.07$  fm (Gr 68), it is found that the mean square radius of  $^{48}\text{Ca}$  is  $3.70 \pm 0.07$  fm if an  $A^{1/3}$  dependence of  $\langle r^2 \rangle_R^{1/2}$  is assumed.

The mean square radius determined from Eq. B.1 with the parameters determined in this thesis ( $r_n = 1.15$  fm,  $a_n = 0.65$  fm) is 3.75 fm. Thus the results of the reformulated Optical Model and the present determination agree within the quoted error.





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